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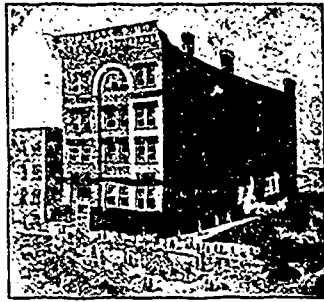
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### Industrial Disturbances.

Thirty employees of theundry department of the Laurie Engine company's shops, Montreal, went out on strike on October 17, owing to the discharge of some men.

An additional 800 lightermen have joined the 15,000 now on strike, on the Thames, in England. There does not seem to be any prospect of the trouble being arbitrated. Hundreds of barges of provisions and merchandise remain unloaded, affecting trade and traffic seriously.

Philadelphia, Oct. 17.—The great strike of the anthracite mine workers of Pennsylvania, which began Sept. 17, practically ended to-day when the Philadelphia Coal and Iron company and the Lehigh Valley Coal company agreed to abolish the sliding scale in their respective regions and to grant an advance in wages of 10 per cent. not, the advance to remain in operation until April, 1901, or thereafter. This action meets the demands of the Scranton Miners' convention. The decision was arrived at after a conference between representatives of the individual coal operators and the large coal carrying companies.

The conference began yesterday. To-day's action was the culmination of the recent meeting of the individual operators at Scranton, following the Mine Workers' convention in the same city. Nearly all of the collieries in the coal region had previous to the Mine Workers' convention posted notices granting an advance of 10 per cent. The mine workers in considering this demanded that the sliding scale in the Lehigh and Schuylkill districts be abolished, the increase to be guaranteed until April, 1901, and all the other differences to be submitted to arbitration. The individual operators agreed to everything and the appointment of a committee to induce the Reading and the Lehigh companies to abolish the sliding scale and make the wage increase permanent followed.

### Handsome Catalogue.

We have received from Merrick, Anderson & Co., Winnipeg, a copy of the handsome new catalogue of The D. Moore Company, of Hamilton, who are represented in the west by the former firm. The catalogue shows illustrations of the lines manufactured by The D. Moore Company, the principal feature of which is the cuts of stoves. The latter are shown in great variety, including everything from the handsome cook and heating stoves to a folding camp stove. Some of the specialties are the "Home Treasure" range, an elegant piece of kitchen furniture, for coal or wood, and the not less handsome "New Florida" cook, for wood only. The "Brownie" is a new and handsome parlor heater, for hard coal or coke, with oven attachment, if desired, which is said to be a perfect baker. Another specialty is "Riverside Oak," a stove adapted for burning hard or soft coal or wood. Quite a variety of air-tight stoves are also shown, including the "Strathcona Hot Blast," which is the specialty in this line. This is an air-tight stove constructed on scientific principles and designed to give the greatest amount of heat from the smallest quantity of fuel.

Dawson City has experienced something of a building boom this year and has had quite an increase in its population lately.

It is reported that shipping business was so quiet at the Fort William elevators last week that one vessel had to leave and seek cargo elsewhere.

Winnipeg streets are at last to be visibly named. The Roberts' Advertising Agency, Winnipeg, who handle metal signs of all kinds, have received the contract for supplying signs for the streets, something which was much needed, as many of the old names had become defaced, or were hardly visible.

Eighteen steel bridges, with masonry piers, have been completed by the Northern Pacific, on their main line during the past year. Two hundred and sixty-two timber bridges, measuring four and three-quarters miles in length, have been replaced by steel trusses, plate girders and I-beams or embankment.

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WINNIPEG, OCTOBER 20.

## Death of Stephen Nairn.

On Sunday morning last this well known citizen of Winnipeg passed away at his home on Colony Street. He had been seriously ill for only a few weeks, but his end was not unexpected. He was confined to bed only about two weeks, previous to which he was about town as usual, though it was known to his more intimate friends that he was not in good health.

Mr. Nairn has been associated with the milling business in Winnipeg



Late Stephen Nairn.

since 1884 as proprietor of the oatmeal mill on Point Douglas, which bore his name until last year, when he sold out to the Ogilvie Milling Co. He was very successful in business and attained to the highest honors possible in the commercial world of the west, having been president of the Winnipeg board of trade in 1901 and of the grain exchange in 1896. He always took a deep interest in the work of these bodies and served on all their important committees at various times. He was also deeply interested in public affairs, having been one of the first commissioners on the Winnipeg parks board and one of the oldest directors of the Winnipeg general hospital. He was also one of the directors of the Winnipeg exhibition association. He took a great interest too in the St. Andrew's Society of Winnipeg, having been its president one year. In church connection he was a Presbyterian, belonging to Knox church, where he served as chairman of the board of managers and was for many years a trustee.

Previous to his coming to Winnipeg in 1884 Mr. Nairn was in business in Toronto with his brother, Alexander Nairn, who is now one of the retired business men of that city. Their principal line was lumber and fuel,

although they were also interested in the milling industry. Mr. Nairn came originally from Kelvinside, Glasgow, and was the youngest son of the late John Nairn, of the Washington Mills at that place. He came to Canada in 1863 and at once associated himself with his brother in the business which they carried on first at Rockwood, Ont., and later at Toronto, until the partnership was dissolved in 1884, when he came to Winnipeg. In 1881 Mr. Nairn was married to a daughter of Wm. Watt, of Brantford, Ont. His wife and a daughter survive him. His brother, Alexander, came to Winnipeg on receiving news of his illness and took charge of the deceased's affairs. He was buried on Tuesday afternoon in Kildonan cemetery, the funeral being largely attended by the business community.

An engraving of the deceased from a photo taken some years ago, is shown herewith.

## Mining in Wabigoon District.

Mr. J. R. Lumby, of the Wabigoon Star, is in the city on business connected with the mining industry of

nary values. Some of it is running as high as \$1 per pound. Parallel to that is a large vein averaging about \$12 per ton. They expect their mill will be running early in next year. Machinery and other supplies are also going over to the Moose Lake mining property, opened up by a Montreal company. They have been doing work by contract, but a manager has been hired and they intend to run the mine themselves. The Rainy Lake Mining and Power Co., who are operating the Salsrey Camp mine have just started their new machinery running and the vein on which they are working shows 75 feet of width of pay ore and there are other veins equally good on the property. "One noticeable feature about the companies, I have mentioned," said Mr. Lumby, "is that with one exception they are all controlled by American capital, and it shows a lack of Canadian enterprise, in my mind, and in the minds of others who think with me, that in 10 years time this will be the most valuable mining district in Canada, that outside capital is making it go."

A good opening for the pulp in-

tham Wagon Co.'s goods, of Chatham, Ont., for Manitoba and the Territories. The Emerson company's goods have not previously been handled to any extent here and they are practically a new line for this market. The Chatham wagons have of course been in the market here for years, and were lately handled by Johnston & Stewart.

The Canadian Moline Plow Co., Winnipeg, has moved to new quarters, and is now occupying the building on Princess street, recently vacated by the Dominion Bank. This is only a few doors south of the company's old premises. The Winnipeg business of the Moline Plow Co. has now been converted into a regular branch, under the name of the Canadian Moline Plow Co., with J. J. Bugee as manager. Formerly the Winnipeg business was carried on as a sub-agency of the Minnesota branch. The establishment of a regular branch here indicates that the importance of Winnipeg as a jobbing centre for the implement and kindred trades, is becoming generally recognized. In addition to the Moline plows, harrows, etc., the Winnipeg branch will handle Fish



Looking Down Kootenay River from Nelson, B.C.

the Wabigoon district. Speaking to a Free Press reporter Mr. Lumby gave an interesting account of the development work going on at the mines there.

"The mining district never since its opening has been in such a prosperous condition as at present," said Mr. Lumby. "The merchants of the town are doing a safer trade; the transportation companies can hardly keep abreast of the business. When I left three cars of machinery and supplies were awaiting to be shipped, and about ten more were on the road. The most of it is for three or four mining companies at work now. The company which has reached the most advanced stage of development is the well known Glass Reef Co., of which Mr. H. J. Macdonald is president. Their stamps began dropping a week ago Thursday and the richness of the ore may be judged by the fact that before running two hours, gold was being caught on the plates. The company has spent \$75,000 on machinery and development, and never stopped from the time they started work up to the present to produce gold. Another property, which has put in a large amount of machinery, is the Interstate Consolidated Mining Co., who are developing the Big Master mine. They have installed mining machinery this summer and stamp mill and more machinery is being taken across the lake. The small vein on which they are at present working has so far, wherever exposed, shown extraordi-

dustry is also located there, the unlimited water power facilities offering great advantages. Wages are also moderate, \$2.50 per day being the highest for skilled miners."

## Implement Trade Notes.

Blinder twine manufacturers in the United States are already beginning to discuss next year's prices and at least one factory has announced its willingness to make contracts for 1901 delivery. The price named is 7 to 8 cents for sisal and standard.

A report has been published in Minneapolis to the effect that several of the leading concerns which manufacture harvesting machinery in the United States, including the Deering, McCormick, Plano-Champion and Milwaukee companies, are about to amalgamate. This report is characterized by the parties concerned as a pure fabrication, which has been made up for election purposes.

Another new firm in the implement trade has been established in Winnipeg, under the name of H. F. Anderson & Co. The principals in this business are H. F. Anderson, formerly agent here for the Moline plows, and J. J. Bryan, formerly on the road here for the McCormick harvesting machinery. The new firm will continue Mr. Anderson's old local agency for the McCormick goods. They will also have control of the woods of the Emerson Manufacturing Co., of Rockford, Ill., plows, harrows, etc., and the Cha-

Bros.' wagons and Tudhope carriages. The latter line of vehicles are Canadian goods, made at Orillia, Ontario.

It is stated that ocean freight rates between Pacific coast ports and Europe are higher than they have been in 15 years.

The total number of failures in Canada last week was 32, against 24 the previous week, and 27 this week last year.

Thos. J. Chisholm, manager of the Montreal Cold Storage Company, who is being shown up rather badly in connection with the inquiry into the fraudulent issuing of warehouse receipts by that company has skipped. The court has declared his bail forfeited and a warrant is out for his arrest.

The New York stocks of pork subject to delivery on contract are smaller than they have been for several years, and are believed to be largely owned by the Thomas J. Lipton Packing Company. These stocks on September 30 amounted to 35,000 barrels. The short interest is estimated at the way from 50,000 to 150,000 barrels. A representative of Mr. Lipton says: "It has not been possible to prepare pork for the market at a profit for months, which is why stocks have become so low. Packers have sold pork short as a hedge against purchase of hogs, and speculators have sold short without paying enough attention to stocks."

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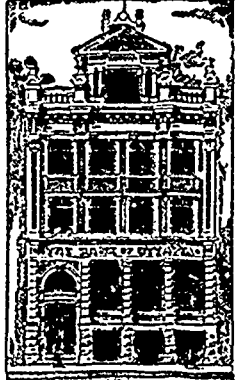
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	Jan. 1st, 1900.		Jan. 1st, 1900.
Quick Assets	\$ 2,432,136.38	Capital paid in	\$ 1,114,300.00
Loans and bills discounted	5,903,084.20	Reserve & undivided profits	572,973.81
Other assets	41,956.41	Notes in circulation	1,325,270.68
Bank premises	94,975.77	Other liabilities	184,238.36
		Deposits	5,268,378.91
			\$ 8,475,161.76
			\$ 1,760,900.00
			2,193,136.57
			1,670,368.50
			198,632.96
			13,815,358.40
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## CITY OF NELSON, BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Nelson, the metropolis of the far-famed mineral district of Kootenay, is situated on the shore of the Western Arm (near its southwest extremity) of Kootenay Lake. The geographical position of Nelson is unique, in

steamers as far as Robson, a small town at the southern end of the lakes. From Robson, the Columbia & Kootenay branch of the Canadian Pacific runs to Nelson. The journey from Revelstoke to Nelson occupies less

the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway, the journey from Spokane to Nelson occupying eight hours.

Nelson is connected with the Boundary district by means of the new railway extended into that district. This line places Nelson in direct communication with the principal cities and towns of that part of the province known as the Boundary Country.

### A COMMERCIAL CENTRE

The remarkable growth of the City of Nelson is not of the mushroom order like many mining towns; on the contrary there is an aspect of solidity

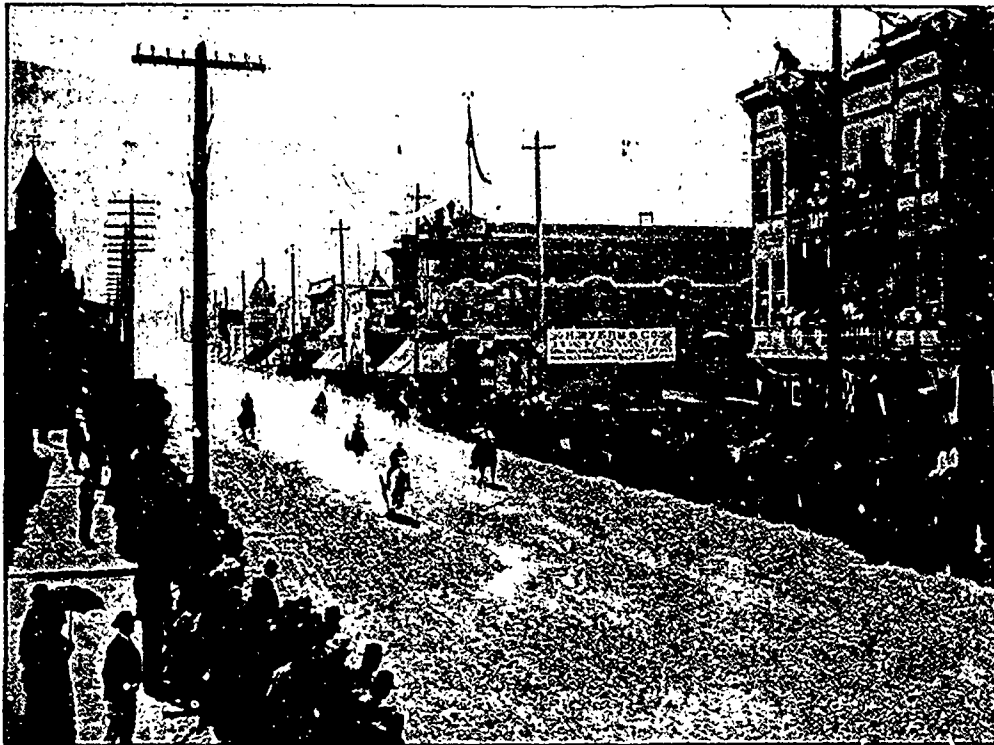
ber, serve for warehouses and offices for the large commercial firms.

There are four banks in Nelson, viz: the Bank of British Columbia, the Bank of Montreal, the Merchants Bank of Halifax, and the Imperial Bank of Canada. No less than twenty-nine large wholesale houses have established warehouses in the city. The excellent facilities for transport by both rail and water to all parts of the Kootenays assist in maintaining a brisk and ever increasing trade for these firms. It is thus that Nelson has gradually become the distributing point for all kinds of merchandise throughout the Kootenays. Other cities in that district are dependent on some neighboring mine or mines for their very existence, but Nelson stands alone as the home of trade and commerce for the mining portion of the province of British Columbia. The assured value of personal property in Nelson is greater than the combined assessment of the cities of Rossland, Kaslo and Sandon. In 1898 the value of exports (according to the custom house returns) for the City of Nelson, amounted to \$3,695,624.00, and the value of the imports for the same year was \$593,753.00. These figures will speak for themselves.

### A RICH MINERAL DISTRICT.

Although Nelson is essentially a commercial city, yet the mines of the surrounding country play no unimportant part in increasing its wealth and magnitude. As we have before stated, Nelson is the central point of the Kootenay mineral district. This is easily proved by consulting the map, when it will be seen that the several mineral districts of Slocan, Ainsworth, East Kootenay (Fort Steele and Windermere), Ymir and Trill Creek form a complete auriferous circle round the city. The Slocan is reached from Nelson by two routes, namely by the Slocan River railway and by steamer by Kaslo. Rossland, the mining city of the Trill Creek district, is reached from Nelson also by two routes, viz. the one by the Columbia & Kootenay railway via Robson, the other by the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway via Northport. By either route, Rossland can be reached within four and a half hours, though the Robson route is some fifteen minutes quicker. The town of Ymir is on the Nelson & Fort Sheppard line, about an hour's journey from Nelson.

East Kootenay is now tapped by the new Crow's Nest Pass railway, so that from Nelson any point in that district can now be easily reached. Nelson is also the starting point for the Boundary country. The Canadian Pacific railway has just commenced to construct a new branch from Nelson by



Baker Street, Nelson, B.C., on a Holiday Occasion.

that it is in the centre of the richest gold, silver and copper bearing region of Kootenay. Trade and commerce have made the most of its natural advantages, so much so that within ten years the city has expanded from a few log huts into the largest and busiest inland city in British Columbia.

The great railway companies have not been slow to recognize this fact, for no fewer than three branches of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, viz: the Slocan River, the Columbia & Kootenay, and the Crow's Nest Pass Railways have made Nelson their terminus. Nelson is also the British Columbia terminus for the Nelson and Fort Sheppard Railway (now the property of the Great Northern Railway Company), which line connects the city with the principal railroads of the United States.

Nelson is also the chief port for the extensive Kootenay Lake trade. There are several services of steamers plying daily from the city to various points on the lake.

A level plateau, well above high water mark, extending along the shore of the lake, has been partly monopolized by the business portion of the city. Beyond the plateau, the land undulates, then gradually slopes upwards until the base of the surrounding mountains is reached. On this higher ground is spread the residential portion of the city.

A site more admirably adapted for a commercial and residential city could hardly be found.

### HOW TO REACH NELSON.

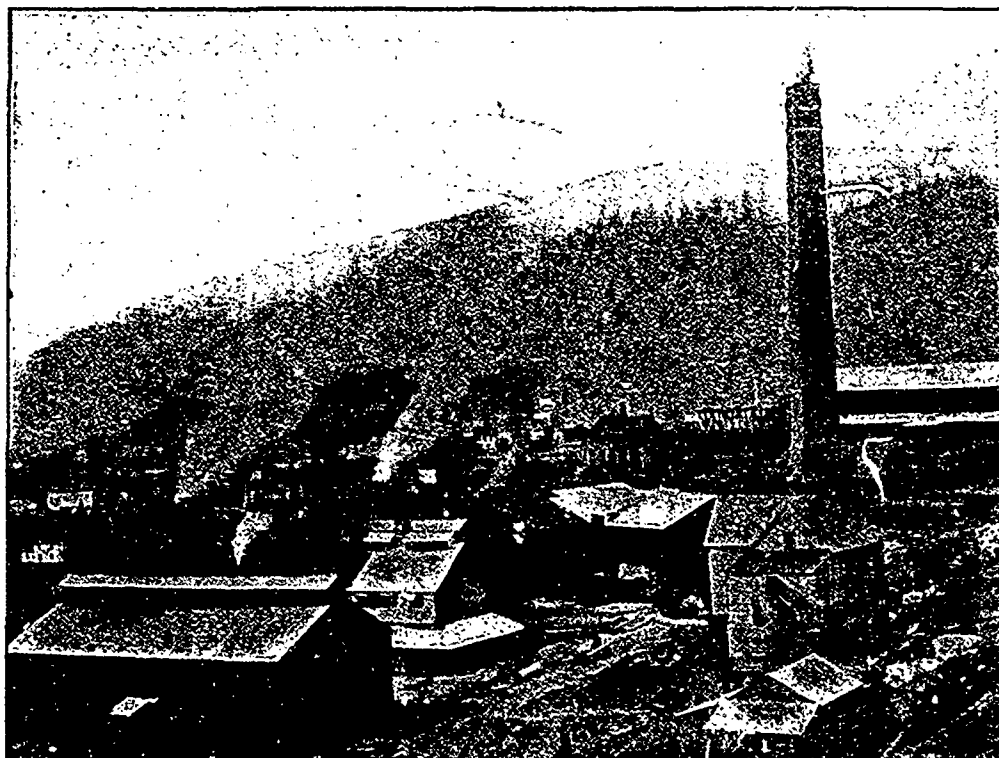
At the present moment, the most direct and most comfortable route to Nelson from Eastern and Western Canada, or from New York, is by the Canadian Pacific Railway, either via the Crow's Nest line, or via Revelstoke. At Revelstoke, on the company's main line, a station about midway between the eastern slope of the Rockies and the Pacific coast, a branch line runs to Arrowhead, a small station at the head of the Arrow Lakes, from which place the journey is continued by means of

than twelve hours. The Crow's Nest Pass branch is the more direct route from the east.

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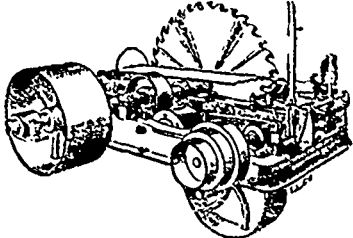
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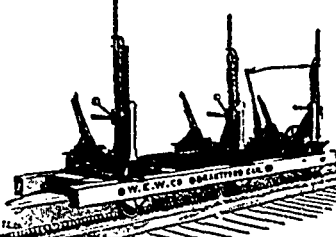
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steamer to the head of Kootenay lake, thence through the Lardeau district to Arrowhead. There are many rich and valuable mineral properties in the Lardeau district, the development of which has been hitherto retarded owing to its inaccessibility. The new line will thus open up an entirely new mineral country.

Some of the largest and best known mining companies have their head offices for the province at Nelson; as

dividends, are: The Athabasca, a free milling gold mine with a ten-stamp mill; the Fern Mine, a free milling gold mine with a ten-stamp mill; the Poorman, a free milling gold mine, with a ten-stamp mill; the Ymir Mine a free milling gold mine with a ten-stamp mill; the Porto Rico Mine, a free milling gold mine with a ten-stamp mill; the Dundee Mine, with a concentrator; the Yellowstone Mine, with a mill under construction.

**A DESIRABLE RESIDENTIAL CITY.**

A most important consideration for an intending settler is: What are the residential advantages of the city? Charming and picturesque dwellings, with well-kept gardens and grounds, form a pleasing addition to the perfect landscape offered by nature in this mountain city. The houses at once strike the stranger as being built

ber formerly well known in the musical profession, provide varied recreation for the hours of leisure.

Handsome churches of every denomination, a fine school, two hospitals and a public library appeal to the more serious requirements of the citizens.

The city has recently spent a considerable sum of money on new waterworks and a thorough sewer system, upon the latest modern principles.

A powerful and complete light installation supplies light to both public and private buildings as well as to the streets.

Charters have recently been granted by the municipality to an English corporation for the institution of an electric street car system, and to a Toronto gas company for the erection of gas and coke works.

Nelson is moreover the assize town and judicial centre for Kootenay. There is a residing local judge of the supreme court and there are a number of lawyers.

The Dominion government are about to erect a substantial building for postal, customs, and inland revenue offices, the increase of business demanding larger and better quarters for these departments of federal service.

Nelson is also the provincial government headquarters for the district.

The climate is very similar to that of England; the mortality of the city is infinitesimal; law and order are so strictly maintained that both person and property are safer by far in Nelson than in any city of the old world.

**THE HOME OF SPORTSMEN.**

A few words on the sporting attractions of Nelson may prove of interest to many who intend coming to the city. The trout fishing in Kootenay lake and river is phenomenal; in fact there are times when even the sanguine angler may be gladdened with the number of his victims.

During the spring and summer months, the fishing in the lake opposite to the city is first-rate. In the autumn the river is at its best, and a two mile walk or row will bring the angler to one of the best fishing stations on the river. The Columbia and Kootenay railway follows the Kootenay river to where the junction with the Columbia river is made, a distance of over 20 miles. At almost any point along the line where the trains stop, really magnificent fishing can be had. The trout of Kootenay belong to the species known as *salmo purpuratus*; they run very large fish over 5 and 6 lbs. in weight. Fish of this size are frequently taken with the fly.

By trolling in deep water enormous



Kootenay Lake Steamers at Nelson, B.C.

for instance, the Hall Mines company, the London & British Columbia Goldfields company, the Whitewater Mines company, the Ymir Mining company, the Fern Gold Mining company, the Exchequer Gold Mining company, the Athabasca Gold Mining company, the Poorman Gold Mining company, the Dominion Mining, Development & Agency company, and the Duncan Syndicate. The management of these large and influential companies have been wise in recognizing the fact that Nelson is at once the most central railway point; the best town for supplies and the most desirable place of residence for companies' officers in the province.

**SOME OF THE MINES.**

The largest and most important mine within a short distance of the city is the Silver King Mine, which is situated on Toad Mountain, some four and a half miles from Nelson. It is the property of the Hall Mines, Ltd. Over two hundred men are regularly employed at the mine and some thousands of tons of ore monthly extracted from it.

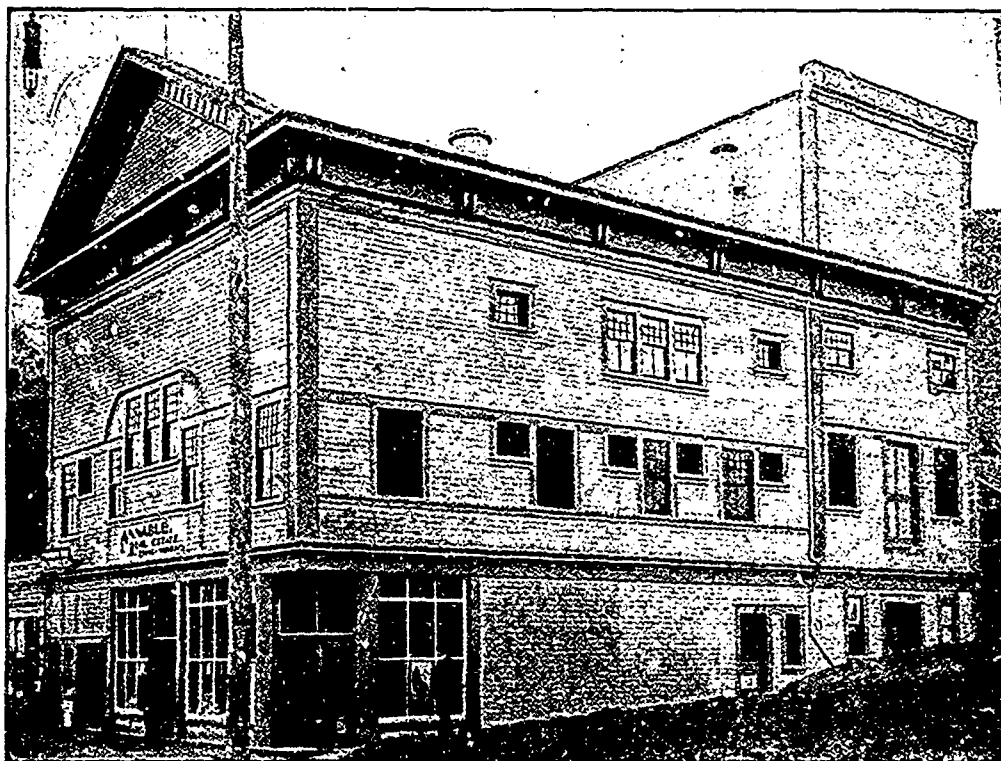
The valuable products of the Silver King are copper and silver. The ore is taken from the mine to the company's smelter in Nelson by means of a tramway. This smelter is an important factor for the welfare of the city; it employs over one hundred men and has a capacity for smelting not less than 370 tons of ore per day. Ores from other mines, particularly copper ores, are purchased by the Hall Mines company and treated by them at the smelter.

A new company is the Slocan Ore Purchasing company, who recently established themselves in Nelson. They are erecting a custom sampling plant—now in course of completion—at a point on the shore of the lake where the Canadian Pacific and Nelson & Fort Sheppard lines join, so that ores can be transmitted to the sampler by rail or water. This undertaking will be of great advantage to the many mines in the locality, especially those which have only a small quantity of ore to dispose of. Other mines in the neighborhood which are ore producers and which have paid, and are paying

To the above named mines a long list of promising properties, in various stages of development, can be added, all situated within a comparatively short distance of the city of Nelson, and with the necessary expenditure of capital, the number of dividend paying mines will be rapidly increased in the near future.

by people who intend to make the city their home.

Various sources of amusement add to the natural attractions of the place. A well appointed opera house, two skating rinks, tennis, cricket, football and rowing clubs, a five-mile bicycle track; a musical society, which boasts of more than one mem-



Opera House, Nelson, B.C.



trout and charr, as heavy as 30 lbs., can be taken.

If the angler has a little time to spare, a trip to Balfour will give him the opportunity of trying many excellent points for trout in the lake. There are plenty of caribou, mule, black and white tail deer to get within reasonable distance of Nelson in the season.

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and, under the above circumstances, it is almost unwise to attempt any forecast, but we look for an ultimate recovery rather than a serious collapse. Nitrate of soda calls for little comment at present, there being no definite information with reference to the proposed combine on the coast. Sulphate of copper has been in better demand, particularly for late shipments. Oils and tallows have fulfilled our last "anticipations," and show a very satisfactory improvement. The chief advance has been in cottonseed oil, owing to special circumstances, but apart from this there has been a marked increase of demand in all descriptions, supplies being barely equal to requisitions. The tone all round remains good, with prospects of a further hardening."

**Our New Governor.**

Hon. D. H. McMillan was formally installed into office on Monday last, as lieutenant-governor of Manitoba. It will be pleasing to Manitobans, and particularly to citizens of Winnipeg, to have one of their number occupying this position of honor. Particularly will this be the case when the recipient of the honor is such an old and highly esteemed citizen as Mr. or Colonel McMillan, by which latter name he is best known here. Mr. McMillan first came to Manitoba in 1870, as a captain with the Wolseley expedition. With the exception of a short period he has been a resident of Winnipeg since that time, and during all this period he has been one of our best known and most respected citizens.

**Prairie Dogs.**

At last an effective way to dispose of the western pest, the prairie dog, has been devised. A bulletin issued by the Nebraska Agricultural Experiment station tells about it, and gives the fatal prescription. First dissolve three ounces of strychnine and one-half pound of potassium cyanide in one-quart of boiling water. Then add two quarts of molasses and one teaspoonful of oil of anise. Stir. Then pour the solution over a bushel of wheat, and while mixing it together sprinkle in four pounds of finely ground gunniseal, which enables the grains of wheat to carry a larger amount of poison. It is a tempting dish for the prairie dog, but one teaspoonful at a hole ends the career of a whole family, and the proportion given above will destroy a town of 300 acres, the number of families on the acre ranging from 90 to 160. The bulletin adds the further information that this year the poisoning is being done over a large range of territory, and with gratifying results.



Upper Falls, Kootenay River, near Nelson, B.C.

Any number of duck and grouse frequent the shores of the lake in the autumn. An extended shooting trip to the distant surrounding mountains will bring the sportsmen within reach of bear, goat, and Rocky Mountain sheep.

Finally, the sporting visitor to Nelson must remember that his sport here costs him nothing but his time, on the contrary, there are times during the year when a man can live on the proceeds of his rod and gun. And in addition to the attractions of sport, the fact must be borne in mind that the game is pursued amidst some of the grandest and most impressive scenery in the world.

For the sportman, who is also a lover of nature, Kootenay is a veritable Paradise.

Note—The foregoing information relating to the city and district of Nelson was first published under the auspices of the Nelson board of trade.

**A New Starch.**

The Edwardsburg Starch Co., represented in Winnipeg by E. Nicholson, wholesale commission merchant, is undertaking extensive advertising efforts to introduce a new line of starch called Benson's Enamel Starch. This is a perfect cold water starch and requires no boiling. It has been prepared especially for fine laundry work by this new process. It is claimed that it will do dark or mourning goods as well as white wear, and will not streak or blow out in cold weather. This new patent starch has been put on the market by this old and thoroughly reliable starch manufacturing company. The past business history of the Edwardsburg Starch Co is a guarantee that the new line called Benson's Enamel Starch will be found exactly as represented. V. E. Roberts and H. G. Fletcher, two young men representing the company, arrived in Winnipeg this week for the purpose of thoroughly introducing the new cold water enamel starch in the west. All the principal points in Manitoba, the Territories and British Columbia will be visited, and at each place samples of the starch will be left at the residence of the people. In this way many thousands of free samples of the starch will be distributed. Messrs. Roberts and Fletcher have already been

united July and August for several weeks, and the prospects for next year, owing specially to the position of chlorine products and the increased prices demanded for fuel, became, to say the least of it, extremely perturbing to manufacturers. But the situation has suddenly changed, an important combination has been arranged between leading makers of bleaching powder in this country and on the continent, which will not only prevent threatened competition and loss of

problem. Fertilizers have ruled quiet and without much change, except as regards sulphate of ammonia, which has been gradually declining. Some what rash selling in Scotland and the north has rather demoralized the position generally, but English producers seem divided in their opinion, for, while one section is meeting the market in a moderate way, the other is stocking up in the hope of securing better prices later on. Sulphate of ammonia is usually full of surprises,



Lower Falls, Kootenay River, near Nelson, B.C.

Winnipeg Hardware and Metal Prices.

ANVILS—Per lb. 10¢; pair, each, \$1.00; pair, each, \$1.00; pair, each, \$1.00. AUGERS—Post hole, Vaughan's, each, 35¢. AXES—Bech, 30 and 10 per cent; chop, per doz., \$7.00; double bit, per doz., \$12.00. BAIRS—Crow, \$0.50 per 100 lb. BELLOWS—20 in., \$4.00; 24, \$4.00; 28, \$5.00; 30, \$5.00; 32, \$6.00; 34, \$7.00; 36, \$8.00; 38, \$9.00; 40, \$10.00. BELTING—Agricultural, 5¢ per cent; No. 1, 60 per cent; extra, 60 per cent off new list. BELT AUGER—American, 50 per cent; Jennings, Excelsior, 45 per cent. BELT CARTRIDGE—42 1/2 per cent; machine, 45 per cent; plow, 40 per cent; sleigh shoe, 50 per cent; stove, 55 per cent; tire, 65 per cent. BUILDING PAPER—Anchor, Cyclone and Jubilee, plain, 60¢; Cyclone and Jubilee, tarred, 60¢; Anchor, plain, 50¢ per roll; Anchor, tarred, 70¢; Euteid, tarred, 65¢. BUTTS—Cast, loose pin, com. 60 per cent; Peterboro, 33 1/3 per cent; wrought, steel, narrow, 60 per cent; loose pin, 60 per cent; bronze, 45¢ up. CARTRIDGES—Thin fire, American discount 40 per cent; Dominion, 50 and 6 per cent; central fire, pistol, American discount 40 per cent; Dominion, discount 30 per cent; military and sporting, American net list, Dominion 15 per cent. CEMENT—Portland, barrel, \$1.25; 44.50. CHAIN—Coll. proved, 3-10 in. per 100 lb, \$11; do., 7-10 in., \$8.75; 6-10 in., \$6.25; 5-10 in., \$4.75; 4-10 in. and up, \$3.50. Jack iron, single, per dozen yards, 15¢; double, per dozen yards, 23¢. Lvs 6-10, \$3.50; 7-8, Trace, per dozen pairs, \$3.50; 45.50. CHAINS—B. Steel frame, 55 per cent; wood frame, 20 cents less net. COPPER—Tinned sheets, 25¢; planished, 33¢; boiler and T. K. pits, plain tinned, per lb, 25¢; spun, 35¢. FILES—Com. 70 and 10 per cent; Nicholson's and Black Diamond, 60 per cent. GLUE—Sheets, 15¢ lb; broken, 12 1/2¢; glue, white, for kalsomining, 15¢; 25¢. GREASE, ANTF—Fraser's per case, \$1.75; Diamond, light, \$1.75; case; dark, \$1.75; Alca, 85¢. IRON—BARN—\$1.50 100 lb. IRON—PLASTER—00c bale. HARVEST TOOLS—55 per cent. HORSESHOES—Iron shoes, keg, 0 and 1 \$4.00; 2 and larger, \$4.50. Less than full keg, 20¢ extra. Steel shoes, 0 and 1 \$5.20; 2 and larger, \$4.50. IRONS—Heavy 1 and strap, per 100 lb, \$2.25; light do., 50 per cent, screw hook and hinge, 10 to 10 1/2, 5¢ per lb; 12 in. up, per lb, 4¢. IRON—Bar iron, 100 lb, base price, \$2.75. Band iron, 100 lb, \$3.05 base. Swedish iron 100 lb, 5 base. Sheet, black, 100 lb, \$3.60; 200 lb, \$3.75; 25 gauge \$4.00; Galvanized American, 10 gauge, \$4.25; 18 gauge, \$4.50; 24 gauge, \$4.75; 26 gauge, \$5.00; 28 gauge, \$5.25; 30 gauge, \$5.50; Queen's, 25¢ advance on American prices. Canada plates, Grith and Bialna, \$1. Imitation Russian sheets, 7 1/2¢; genuine Russian sheets, 12 1/2¢. IRON—Pic. per lb, 6¢; sheets, 6 1/2¢. IRON—Cut—300 up, \$3.00; 200, \$3.25; 100, \$3.50; 50, \$3.75; 25, \$4.00; 10, \$4.50; 5, \$5.00; 2 1/2, \$6.00; 1 1/2, \$7.50; 3/4, \$9.00; 1/2, \$11.00; 1/4, \$14.00; 1/8, \$17.00; 1/16, \$21.00; 1/32, \$25.00; 1/64, \$30.00; 1/128, \$35.00; 1/256, \$40.00; 1/512, \$45.00; 1/1024, \$50.00; 1/2048, \$55.00; 1/4096, \$60.00; 1/8192, \$65.00; 1/16384, \$70.00; 1/32768, \$75.00; 1/65536, \$80.00; 1/131072, \$85.00; 1/262144, \$90.00; 1/524288, \$95.00; 1/1048576, \$100.00; 1/2097152, \$105.00; 1/4194304, \$110.00; 1/8388608, \$115.00; 1/16777216, \$120.00; 1/33554432, \$125.00; 1/67108864, \$130.00; 1/134217728, \$135.00; 1/268435456, \$140.00; 1/536870912, \$145.00; 1/1073741824, \$150.00; 1/2147483648, \$155.00; 1/4294967296, \$160.00; 1/8589934592, \$165.00; 1/17179869184, \$170.00; 1/34359738368, \$175.00; 1/68719476736, \$180.00; 1/137438953472, \$185.00; 1/274877906944, \$190.00; 1/549755813888, \$195.00; 1/1099511627776, \$200.00; 1/2199023255552, \$205.00; 1/4398046511104, \$210.00; 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IRON—PIPE—6 in. \$8.25; 7 in. \$10; per 100 lengths. IRON—PIPE—8 in. \$10.50; 9 in. \$12.50; 10 in. \$14.50; 11 in. \$16.50; 12 in. \$18.50; 14 in. \$21.50; 16 in. \$24.50; 18 in. \$27.50; 20 in. \$30.50; 22 in. \$33.50; 24 in. \$36.50; 26 in. \$39.50; 28 in. \$42.50; 30 in. \$45.50; 32 in. \$48.50; 34 in. \$51.50; 36 in. \$54.50; 38 in. \$57.50; 40 in. \$60.50; 42 in. \$63.50; 44 in. \$66.50; 46 in. \$69.50; 48 in. \$72.50; 50 in. \$75.50; 52 in. \$78.50; 54 in. \$81.50; 56 in. \$84.50; 58 in. \$87.50; 60 in. \$90.50; 62 in. \$93.50; 64 in. \$96.50; 66 in. \$99.50; 68 in. \$102.50; 70 in. \$105.50; 72 in. \$108.50; 74 in. \$111.50; 76 in. \$114.50; 78 in. \$117.50; 80 in. \$120.50; 82 in. \$123.50; 84 in. \$126.50; 86 in. \$129.50; 88 in. \$132.50; 90 in. \$135.50; 92 in. \$138.50; 94 in. \$141.50; 96 in. \$144.50; 98 in. \$147.50; 100 in. \$150.50. IRON—PLATE—3-16 inch, \$1.10; 1/4 inch, \$1.20; 5/16 inch, \$1.30; 3/8 inch, \$1.40; 1/2 inch, \$1.50; 5/8 inch, \$1.60; 3/4 inch, \$1.70; 7/8 inch, \$1.80; 1 inch, \$1.90; 1 1/8 inch, \$2.00; 1 1/4 inch, \$2.10; 1 1/2 inch, \$2.20; 1 3/4 inch, \$2.30; 1 7/8 inch, \$2.40; 2 inch, \$2.50; 2 1/8 inch, \$2.60; 2 1/4 inch, \$2.70; 2 1/2 inch, \$2.80; 2 3/4 inch, \$2.90; 3 inch, \$3.00; 3 1/8 inch, \$3.10; 3 1/4 inch, \$3.20; 3 1/2 inch, \$3.30; 3 3/4 inch, \$3.40; 4 inch, \$3.50; 4 1/8 inch, \$3.60; 4 1/4 inch, \$3.70; 4 1/2 inch, \$3.80; 4 3/4 inch, \$3.90; 5 inch, \$4.00; 5 1/8 inch, \$4.10; 5 1/4 inch, \$4.20; 5 1/2 inch, \$4.30; 5 3/4 inch, \$4.40; 6 inch, \$4.50; 6 1/8 inch, \$4.60; 6 1/4 inch, \$4.70; 6 1/2 inch, \$4.80; 6 3/4 inch, \$4.90; 7 inch, \$5.00; 7 1/8 inch, \$5.10; 7 1/4 inch, \$5.20; 7 1/2 inch, \$5.30; 7 3/4 inch, \$5.40; 8 inch, \$5.50; 8 1/8 inch, \$5.60; 8 1/4 inch, \$5.70; 8 1/2 inch, \$5.80; 8 3/4 inch, \$5.90; 9 inch, \$6.00; 9 1/8 inch, \$6.10; 9 1/4 inch, \$6.20; 9 1/2 inch, \$6.30; 9 3/4 inch, \$6.40; 10 inch, \$6.50; 10 1/8 inch, \$6.60; 10 1/4 inch, \$6.70; 10 1/2 inch, \$6.80; 10 3/4 inch, \$6.90; 11 inch, \$7.00; 11 1/8 inch, \$7.10; 11 1/4 inch, \$7.20; 11 1/2 inch, \$7.30; 11 3/4 inch, \$7.40; 12 inch, \$7.50; 12 1/8 inch, \$7.60; 12 1/4 inch, \$7.70; 12 1/2 inch, \$7.80; 12 3/4 inch, \$7.90; 13 inch, \$8.00; 13 1/8 inch, \$8.10; 13 1/4 inch, \$8.20; 13 1/2 inch, \$8.30; 13 3/4 inch, \$8.40; 14 inch, \$8.50; 14 1/8 inch, \$8.60; 14 1/4 inch, \$8.70; 14 1/2 inch, \$8.80; 14 3/4 inch, \$8.90; 15 inch, \$9.00; 15 1/8 inch, \$9.10; 15 1/4 inch, \$9.20; 15 1/2 inch, \$9.30; 15 3/4 inch, \$9.40; 16 inch, \$9.50; 16 1/8 inch, \$9.60; 16 1/4 inch, \$9.70; 16 1/2 inch, \$9.80; 16 3/4 inch, \$9.90; 17 inch, \$10.00; 17 1/8 inch, \$10.10; 17 1/4 inch, \$10.20; 17 1/2 inch, \$10.30; 17 3/4 inch, \$10.40; 18 inch, \$10.50; 18 1/8 inch, \$10.60; 18 1/4 inch, \$10.70; 18 1/2 inch, \$10.80; 18 3/4 inch, \$10.90; 19 inch, \$11.00; 19 1/8 inch, \$11.10; 19 1/4 inch, \$11.20; 19 1/2 inch, \$11.30; 19 3/4 inch, \$11.40; 20 inch, \$11.50; 20 1/8 inch, \$11.60; 20 1/4 inch, \$11.70; 20 1/2 inch, \$11.80; 20 3/4 inch, \$11.90; 21 inch, \$12.00; 21 1/8 inch, \$12.10; 21 1/4 inch, \$12.20; 21 1/2 inch, \$12.30; 21 3/4 inch, \$12.40; 22 inch, \$12.50; 22 1/8 inch, \$12.60; 22 1/4 inch, \$12.70; 22 1/2 inch, \$12.80; 22 3/4 inch, \$12.90; 23 inch, \$13.00; 23 1/8 inch, \$13.10; 23 1/4 inch, \$13.20; 23 1/2 inch, \$13.30; 23 3/4 inch, \$13.40; 24 inch, \$13.50; 24 1/8 inch, \$13.60; 24 1/4 inch, \$13.70; 24 1/2 inch, \$13.80; 24 3/4 inch, \$13.90; 25 inch, \$14.00; 25 1/8 inch, \$14.10; 25 1/4 inch, \$14.20; 25 1/2 inch, \$14.30; 25 3/4 inch, \$14.40; 26 inch, \$14.50; 26 1/8 inch, \$14.60; 26 1/4 inch, \$14.70; 26 1/2 inch, \$14.80; 26 3/4 inch, \$14.90; 27 inch, \$15.00; 27 1/8 inch, \$15.10; 27 1/4 inch, \$15.20; 27 1/2 inch, \$15.30; 27 3/4 inch, \$15.40; 28 inch, \$15.50; 28 1/8 inch, \$15.60; 28 1/4 inch, \$15.70; 28 1/2 inch, \$15.80; 28 3/4 inch, \$15.90; 29 inch, \$16.00; 29 1/8 inch, \$16.10; 29 1/4 inch, \$16.20; 29 1/2 inch, \$16.30; 29 3/4 inch, \$16.40; 30 inch, \$16.50; 30 1/8 inch, \$16.60; 30 1/4 inch, \$16.70; 30 1/2 inch, \$16.80; 30 3/4 inch, \$16.90; 31 inch, \$17.00; 31 1/8 inch, \$17.10; 31 1/4 inch, \$17.20; 31 1/2 inch, \$17.30; 31 3/4 inch, \$17.40; 32 inch, \$17.50; 32 1/8 inch, \$17.60; 32 1/4 inch, \$17.70; 32 1/2 inch, \$17.80; 32 3/4 inch, \$17.90; 33 inch, \$18.00; 33 1/8 inch, \$18.10; 33 1/4 inch, \$18.20; 33 1/2 inch, \$18.30; 33 3/4 inch, \$18.40; 34 inch, \$18.50; 34 1/8 inch, \$18.60; 34 1/4 inch, \$18.70; 34 1/2 inch, \$18.80; 34 3/4 inch, \$18.90; 35 inch, \$19.00; 35 1/8 inch, \$19.10; 35 1/4 inch, \$19.20; 35 1/2 inch, \$19.30; 35 3/4 inch, \$19.40; 36 inch, \$19.50; 36 1/8 inch, \$19.60; 36 1/4 inch, \$19.70; 36 1/2 inch, \$19.80; 36 3/4 inch, \$19.90; 37 inch, \$20.00; 37 1/8 inch, \$20.10; 37 1/4 inch, \$20.20; 37 1/2 inch, \$20.30; 37 3/4 inch, \$20.40; 38 inch, \$20.50; 38 1/8 inch, \$20.60; 38 1/4 inch, \$20.70; 38 1/2 inch, \$20.80; 38 3/4 inch, \$20.90; 39 inch, \$21.00; 39 1/8 inch, \$21.10; 39 1/4 inch, \$21.20; 39 1/2 inch, \$21.30; 39 3/4 inch, \$21.40; 40 inch, \$21.50; 40 1/8 inch, \$21.60; 40 1/4 inch, \$21.70; 40 1/2 inch, \$21.80; 40 3/4 inch, \$21.90; 41 inch, \$22.00; 41 1/8 inch, \$22.10; 41 1/4 inch, \$22.20; 41 1/2 inch, \$22.30; 41 3/4 inch, \$22.40; 42 inch, \$22.50; 42 1/8 inch, \$22.60; 42 1/4 inch, \$22.70; 42 1/2 inch, \$22.80; 42 3/4 inch, \$22.90; 43 inch, \$23.00; 43 1/8 inch, \$23.10; 43 1/4 inch, \$23.20; 43 1/2 inch, \$23.30; 43 3/4 inch, \$23.40; 44 inch, \$23.50; 44 1/8 inch, \$23.60; 44 1/4 inch, \$23.70; 44 1/2 inch, \$23.80; 44 3/4 inch, \$23.90; 45 inch, \$24.00; 45 1/8 inch, \$24.10; 45 1/4 inch, \$24.20; 45 1/2 inch, \$24.30; 45 3/4 inch, \$24.40; 46 inch, \$24.50; 46 1/8 inch, \$24.60; 46 1/4 inch, \$24.70; 46 1/2 inch, \$24.80; 46 3/4 inch, \$24.90; 47 inch, \$25.00; 47 1/8 inch, \$25.10

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**Manitoba.**

Garton & Farquhar, grocers, Winnipeg, have made an assignment to Charles H. Newton.

The stock of D. E. Traynor, of Deloraine, will be sold by auction in Winnipeg, on October 23.

McMillan, Lane & Co., of Morden, made a shipment of live poultry to British Columbia last week.

Jas. Innis is installing a drier in his flour mill at Hamney, Man., which will enable him to handle damp wheat.

A. R. McDiarmid has purchased Robt. Sword's interest in the lumber business of Sword & McEachern, at Brandon.

A notice of the incorporation of the Kelzer Brick Machine and Manufacturing Co. appears in the last issue of the Manitoba Gazette.

The premises of J. M. Richmond, wholesale teas, etc., Portage la Prairie, were damaged by fire on Monday afternoon. Loss \$1,200, covered by insurance.

James H. Rogers, who has been doing an extensive retail business in hats and furs, etc., at Winnipeg for some years, has made an assignment to Geo. H. Monkhouse.

A resolution was prepared and will be sent to the post office inspector by the Portage la Prairie board of trade, asking that a mail service be established on the Brandon local.

I. E. Gaudin has bought out the hardware business of his brother, Jas. Gaudin, at Napinka, and will continue the business. Jas. Gaudin has bought out of the livery business of W. H. Dandy, at the same place, and will carry it on.

H. Buckle, senior, who for many years was head of the well known firm, the Buckle Printing Company, Winnipeg, has returned from England and opened up in the printing business again in partnership with his son, J. P. Buckle. The new firm will be known as H. Buckle & Son.

Notices have been issued by Secretary Bell to members of the western grain standards board advising them that the board will meet at Winnipeg on Friday, Oct. 26, at 10 a. m. If the weather should become unfavorable for threshing, the date will be changed. Members will be telegraphed to in that event.

Construction on the new Lac du Bonnet railway is well advanced, the steel being laid to the lake. The brick yard at the lake has been in operation during the summer and has turned out over 1,000,000 of bricks of very fine quality. A number of settlers have gone in lately and occupied land on both sides of the lake.

Water was turned on in the new Winnipeg waterworks system this week, and Winnipeg citizens now enjoy what they have so long desired. The water is from artesian wells, and the supply appears to be unlimited, and of fine quality. The citizens will be glad to dispense with the muddy Assiniboine river water, which has been supplied them since Winnipeg became a city.

At a public meeting held in Winnipeg on Tuesday evening last, the proposal to grant \$60,000 in aid of a subway under the C. P. R. lines on Main street, was discussed and approved. The subway, it is estimated, will cost more than double this sum, and the balance is to be paid by the railway company. In view of this arrangement with the city, the C. P. R. Co. promises to go ahead at once with the construction of a grand hotel and depot in Winnipeg, to cost about \$1,000,000. The company also proposes expending \$400,000 in improving their workshops in Winnipeg.

**Assinibola.**

J. M. Simington, baker, Moose Jaw, was accidentally shot and killed on Oct. 16, while hunting.

J. W. Sutherland has bought out the interest of his partner Thompson in the hardware business which they have been carrying on at Wapella.

**Alberta.**

McGee & Gray have bought out the livery business of Garbe Bros. at Strathcona.

M. E. Roy has bought out the Queens hotel at Lethbridge from Jas. Ashcroft.

B. F. Boyce has bought out W. S. Henry, lessee of the High River hotel at High River.

H. M. Douglas has opened a butcher shop at Innisfail with C. Hodson as manager.

At Lethbridge, on October 12, fire broke out in the boiler house of No. 2 shaft, of the Galt colliery, which totally destroyed the building, also a car of coal standing on the track. Fortunately the flames did not reach the fan house, the loss of which would have caused the mines to shut down for a week. The present damage will be repaired in two days. The mines are running full blast.

**Northwest Ontario.**

R. E. Wellsman has bought out the wholesale liquor business of J. W. Humble at Rat Portage.

Water in the Rainy river is very high, which is quite a reversal of the conditions prevailing early in the season.

The stock and book debts of the estate of B. C. Griffiths, Rat Portage, is offered for sale by tender, up to October 29.

J. E. Wallbridge, who comes from Belleville, Ont., has entered into partnership with T. R. Ferguson, in the law business at Rat Portage.

The stock of hardware and tinware of W. G. Johnson, of Rat Portage, will be sold at auction by Newton & Davidson, Winnipeg, on the 22nd inst.

The Rat Portage Lumber Co. have 4,000,000 feet of logs at the Rainy river, which they will ship to Winnipeg river, when the Southeastern road reaches there.

Daniel Hyland, of Rainy River, who has a timber limit at Willow Creek, Minnesota, will get out 3,000,000 feet of timber this winter, which will be shipped to Winnipeg, via the South-eastern.

The new steamer Agwinda of the Rainy River Navigation Company, which is to ply between Rat Portage and Fort Frances next year in conjunction with the Keenora, was successfully launched last Saturday.

**THE DAIRY TRADE**

**OUR DAIRY GOODS AT PARIS.**

The great success which has attended the Canadian butter and cheese exhibit at the Paris exhibition is most gratifying to the people of the Dominion. It is evidence that the efforts of recent years to raise the quality of our dairy products have not been made in vain. The Canadian exhibit has taken the highest possible honor, the grand prize, with a maximum number of points. Other grand prizes were awarded in this class but none of them were accompanied by the maximum rating. As a result of the award to Canada a leading French grocer has placed an order for a trial shipment of cheese. A feature of the display which will help greatly to advertise the quality of the Canadian goods in France and elsewhere was the practice of giving away samples to all who cared to taste the cheese. This was not followed by any other exhibit and was highly appreciated by the crowds.

**DAIRY TRADE NOTES.**

The Portage la Prairie creamery reports an increase of output this year. The sum of \$20,000 has been paid out for cream during the season. The creamery will operate until the end of the year if cream can be obtained.

The cheese market firmed up at Montreal last week as a result of better demand from British markets. Quebec makes were bought at 11c and firm at that. The stock of cheese in Montreal at present is variously estimated at from 250,000 to 350,000 boxes.

The total exports of cheese from Montreal during the week ending Oct. 6, amounted to \$5,895, against \$2,191 for the same week last year; the total sales this season to date is 1,661,885, against 1,512,357 for the same time last year. The total exports of butter last week amounted to 3,185, against 3,612 for the same week last year, total this season to date, 223,507, against 333,674 for the same time last year.

The Dominion line steamer Ottoman went on a rock in the St. Lawrence river on Wednesday, last week. She had on board 701 head of cattle, 1,573 sheep and 15 horses as part of her load. These had to be taken off and sent on to the British markets by other vessels.

**FINANCIAL**

**WINNIPEG BANK CLEARINGS.**  
Returns for the Winnipeg Clearing House for the week ending Thursday, show as follows:  
Week ended Oct. 18, 1900 .. \$1,582,651  
Corresponding week, 1899 .. 2,777,628  
Corresponding week, 1898 .. 2,014,630

The monthly totals are as follows:

	1900.	1899.	1898.
Jan. ..	\$3,900,607	\$7,683,052	\$4,347,349
Feb. ..	4,702,610	6,261,471	6,517,349
Mar. ..	7,320,962	6,760,121	6,908,275
April ..	7,091,519	6,916,431	6,240,113
May ..	9,762,579	7,472,855	8,683,394
June ..	9,912,084	8,211,710	7,596,799
July ..	8,593,423	8,169,595	6,316,238
Aug. ..	8,273,039	7,995,291	6,180,885
Sept. ..	7,529,147	8,231,169	6,414,651
Oct. ..	..	12,689,000	9,347,052
Nov. ..	..	14,435,219	11,553,069
Dec. ..	..	12,960,005	10,708,731
Totals ..	\$107,786,814	\$90,674,325	..

**SILVER.**

The silver market in London suffered a sharp reaction from its recent rise. This decline was partially the result of speculative realizing following the advance in rates for money at the British capital and partly of an announcement that for the present, at least, the purchase of silver by the Indian government for coinage purposes were at an end. It is to be noted that the quotation of 23½d per ounce for bars recorded on last Saturday was the highest figure of the year, representing an advance of 2½d per ounce from the lowest price, 27d, which was made at the end of January. The New York quotations have, as usual, followed the course of the London market, declining from 64½ cents to 62½ cents per ounce.

**FINANCIAL NOTES.**

The assignees of the Western Loan & Trust Company, Limited, Winnipeg, are inviting tenders for the purchase of a number of real estate mortgages which form part of the estate of the company. Bids are to be in by the 29th of October.

The case of the Globe Savings & Loan Co. vs. The Employees' Liability Assurance Co. came on for trial this week before Chief Justice Killam, at Winnipeg. This is an action to recover upon an assurance policy which the plaintiffs took out in the defendant company for \$3,000, to guarantee them against loss through default of their Winnipeg agent. It subsequently turned out that the agent here had embezzled a large amount, and as he tried to escape the plaintiffs were put to \$700 expense in tracing him and bringing him to trial here. He was convicted and sentenced to nine months in jail. The plaintiffs now seek to recover \$3,000 on the bond and the \$700 expended in taking proceedings to arrest the agent, as it was at the defendants' request the money was expended. The defendants deny their liability on the ground that the plaintiffs did not check over their agent's books and receipts as they should have done, and they allege that some of the amounts were embezzled after plaintiffs were aware that the agent was in default. The case is proceeding.

**Insurance Notes.**

Insurance for bathers is the newest enterprise in the insurance life in England. Penny-in-the-slot machines will be erected in popular bathing places in which, before entering the water you deposit a copper and out drops a twenty-four hours' life insurance policy.

That the negro is an undesirable life assurance risk was discovered long ago. That he is a man and may possibly be a brother, may appear to be a postulate, but that he is equal as a life assurance risk to the white man is distinctly denied. The American Order of Foresters was cut off from the English branch for differentiating between white and black risks, but the American Order was quite right. The Prudential Insurance Company of America has made an extensive investigation into the whole subject, and has distinctly proved that even amongst adults the black man is an infinitely worse risk than the white man, whilst amongst infants the risk is still greater. The records show that adult negroes are peculiarly liable to constitutional and respiratory

diseases, far more so than are adult whites. The natural inference is that colored men do not inherit vigorous and well-established constitutions and all these things are intensified among colored infants.—London Review.

A. Dean, general manager of the Anglo-American Fire Insurance Co., of Toronto, was in Winnipeg this week on his way to the coast.

The firm of Fred J. Holland & Co., insurance, Winnipeg, has been dissolved. W. S. Holland is taking the agency of the Anglo-American Fire Insurance company for British Columbia, which necessitates his removal to the coast.

**Freight Rates and Traffic Matters.**

Chicago Trade Bulletin—East-bound lines are getting short of cars owing to the increase in grain tariff and to heavy local traffic. Rates on grain will be advanced 2½c on Nov. 1. The present rate is 15c on grain from Chicago to New York domestic, 13c for export, 12c domestic to Philadelphia and 11½c to Baltimore and Newport News. From the Mississippi river for export to Boston and New York, 15½c; Philadelphia, 14½c; Baltimore, 13c. Lake and rail rates from Chicago to New York are 12c per 100 lbs. on flour, 4½c per bushel on wheat, 4½c on corn, and 4c on oats. Ocean rates are weaker and lower, with very little demand. Rates 4d per bushel on grain from New York, and 3½d from Boston to Liverpool. The through rate on wheat from Chicago to Liverpool is 14.0c per bushel, lake and rail, via New York, and 13½c via Boston. Flour is 31½@33½c per 100 lbs., and provisions 47@49c. Lake rates are lower at 13c for wheat, and 1½c for corn, and 1¼c for clipped oats to Buffalo.

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## THE BUSINESS SITUATION

Saturday, October 20.

The business situation is considerably improved. At least there is a better feeling noticeable and the general tone is more hopeful. Reports from the country say that this has been a week of great activity in the harvest fields. Farmers have been working night and day getting their grain threshed and stored in granery. The general opinion seems to be that threshing returns are better than could be reasonably expected after the prolonged rains of August and September. A good deal of the wheat is being bought for No. 2 and 3 hard. Receipts at country markets have increased but are still very light compared with other years and there is not the slightest difficulty this year in getting it moved to terminal points. The difficulty with the railway companies is to get enough to make up trains. Mercantile trade has improved with the weather. A fairly good sorting business is now being done by city jobbing houses and staple lines are also moving more freely. Building operations in the city are again quite active and there is a scarcity of carpenters and painters at the moment due to the large demand for these for finishing work. Exports of cattle from the western ranges are still quite heavy and the shipments are showing fine quality. The statement of the Winnipeg clearing house for this week shows a falling off of \$1,103,047 as compared with a year ago, but as there were only five business days in the clearing house week, which ends Thursday, as against six last year the falling off may be partly accounted for in this way. After deducting the daily average, however, there is still a heavy falling off.

## WINNIPEG MARKETS

Saturday, October 13.

(All quotations, unless otherwise specified, are wholesale for such quantities as are usually taken by retail dealers, and are subject to the usual reduction on large quantities and to cash discounts.)

## BOOTS AND SHOES.

The improved weather conditions and crop outlook has had a stimulating effect upon boot and shoe trade and local houses report a better sorting business this week. Stocks of fall goods in the country begin to need replenishing. A fairly good trade is looked for now up to the middle of December. Travellers on the road with samples of spring goods are sending in some very nice orders, but the majority of merchants prefer to put off placing their orders until later so that they may see how things turn out. They are pursuing what may be called a cautious policy. Prices on all lines hold steady and there is no disposition to cut.

## BUILDING MATERIAL.

Building operations have revived considerably and there is accordingly a good demand for material at the moment, especially stone and lime. A number of foundations are yet to be put in before the winter opens and masons are taking advantage of the fine weather to push along the work. Brick is also still being taken in considerable quantities. Prices remain unchanged as follows: Stonewall rubble, \$3.50 per cord, Stonewall footing, \$5.50 per cord, Stony Mountain rubble, \$4.00 per cord. White lime is worth 20c per bushel, and grey lime 15c per bushel, all l.o.b. at quarry and kiln. Brick quoted here at \$10 per thousand for kiln run and \$11 per thousand for veneer.

## DRY GOODS.

Sorting business has improved. Yesterday's accumulation of two day's orders threw jobbing houses into a more active condition than they have been for some time. All sorts of fall goods are now in moderately good demand. The firm tone of the manufacturers in regard to prices and recent advances in cottons has had the effect of stimulating buying in some directions as the retail trades feel that they have nothing to gain by delay in

ordering all the goods they will require. On the other hand there is no disposition anywhere to over stock.

## FISH.

Fresh caught whitefish are done, but there are plenty of cold storage fish. New Innan huddle are selling at 11 cents per pound. We quote Whitefish, fresh caught, 50c per lb, pickerel, 4c pike, 3c, trout, 10c; salmon, 12½c, mackerel, 15c; salt cod, 7c; Labrador herring, ½-barrel, \$3.90 oysters, select, \$2.25 per gallon; standards, \$2.00.

## GREEN FRUITS.

Winter apples are now arriving daily and show good quality. The only sort of oranges available are Jamaicas, which are quoted at \$10.00 per barrel of about 400. Prices of all regular lines of fruit remain unchanged. We quote as follows: Apples, Nova Scotia, winters, per barrel, \$4.50, spits, extra fancy, \$3.25; other varieties, \$3.00; greenings, \$2.75; snow apples, \$3.50; oranges, Jamaicas, per barrel, \$10.00, or per hundred 83 lemons, Californias, 300-350 in case \$6.00; cranberries, per barrel, \$5.50; tokay grapes, per crate, \$2.50; California, winter nells pears, per case, \$3.00; Washington, winter nells pears, per case, \$2.00; late red plums, Cal., \$1.50. Washington plums, \$1.25, concord grapes, per basket, 27c, Niagaras, 30c, Rogers', 40c, Rogers' blacks, 40c. Malaga grapes, per keg, \$8.50, onions, per pound, 3c, or in 5-case lots, 24c; Spanish onions, per crate, \$1.50, with 10c off 5-case lots, figs, cold storage stock, \$1.00 per box of 10 lbs, California figs, new, per 10-lb box, \$1.30; dates, 7c.

## GROCERIES.

Trade is fairly active in this market, but collections are slow. We note several important price changes this week. In canned goods things have been fairly steady here. Canned tomatoes are being offered by some independent concerns at prices lower than what we quote and jobbers are handling their goods at \$2.15 to \$2.20, as against the regular price of \$2.25 to \$2.30 for association goods. Canned lunch tongue is 2c per dozen dearer. Cereals are in fairly active demand and prices have changed on some lines. Split peas now quoted at \$2.25 to \$2.50 as against \$2.50 last week. Rolled oats are 10c per sack dearer. Standard and granulated oatmeal are 20c per sack lower. Dried currants continue to excite interest here and outside are now 2c per pound higher than they were when present Winnipeg scale was adopted, which means that new stocks would cost that much more here. New Valencia layer raisins are about 40c per box higher here than old stock was costing. Evaporated apples are somewhat easier and are quoted ¼ to ½c under prices of a week ago. Dried apples are scarce. New prunes are in and prices are a little lower for small sizes and large sizes are dearer. Matches remain unchanged and there are no Eddy matches to be had. Sugars are the same as a week ago. Wood-ware is scarce on some lines, and local jobbers have not yet been able to secure new stock at recent reductions at factories.

## HARDWARE.

The local market is steady and unchanged. Prices here do not reflect any of the recent eastern changes as stocks on hand were bought before those changes took effect. It is expected that a new list will be announced very shortly for cartridges as United States manufacturers have recently made some changes and others are expected. Winnipeg prices are given elsewhere in this issue.

## PAINTS, OILS AND GLASS.

There have been no special features in this line here during the week. Prices are steady and firm for most lines as present stocks were bought at lower prices than they could be replaced for. This is particularly so in regard to glass. A further upward movement is reported in linseed oil at eastern distributing centres. At New York on Thursday last prices went up 2c per gallon, and other American markets are following. The poor outlook for the flax crop is the principal cause of this firmness. Turpentine is steady at Savannah according to latest mail advices, and receipts were improving. For Winnipeg prices see elsewhere in this issue.

## SCRAP.

The scrap market is quiet pending the result of the presidential elections. There is no disposition on the part of

United States concerns to push business until that event is over. Rubber is the most active article in the list. The market for this is very firm and prices at factories are expected to go higher. We quote Winnipeg buyers prices as follows. No. 1 cast iron free from wrought and malleable, \$13 to \$14 per ton; No. 2, \$5 ton; wrought iron scrap, \$5 ton; heavy copper, 10c per pound; red brass, 8c per pound, yellow brass, heavy, 7c per pound, light brass, 4½ to 5c per pound, lead pipe or tea lead, 2c to 2¼c; rags, country mixed, 50c per 100 pounds; rubbers, free from rivets, buckles and articles, 5½c per pound, zinc scrap 1c per lb, bones, clean, dry and bleached, 3c per ton.

## GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

WHEAT.—A gradual decline in prices has characterized the situation in the wheat markets the past week, the result being a loss of 2c per bushel in values from this day week. The special features that have influenced the market have been a continuance of favorable weather over the North-west spring wheat country for the safe gathering of the crop and threshing, there having now been two full weeks in succession in which there has been no rain. Then the movement of wheat by inland and ocean freight has been large and there has been a goodly addition to reserve stocks. Besides this, Russia and southeastern Europe show up well in the weekly shipments and are reported to be offering wheat at lower figures, which is taken to mean that the supply behind is abundant, indeed it is stated that Roumania has 30,000,000 bushels more wheat than last year. Along with all this there are good reports of the winter wheat seeding from both Europe and the United States. In the latter country the crop is nearly all in the ground, and the early sown fields are green and making seasonable progress. The prospects for the Indian crop continue good, and sales of new crop have been made to London, although the wheat will not be harvested before February. In the same way Argentine wheat of the new crop is being sold in the European markets for future delivery. There is also a lack of support to speculative markets, and in the face of abundant supplies in sight, the present favorable prospects for the future crops, there is nothing surprising in the weakness of the market. The American visible supply increased last week 1,577,000 bushels compared with a decrease of 3,000 bushels the previous week and an increase of 2,975,000 bushels same week last year. The world's shipments for the week were very heavy, 9,250,000 bushels compared to 8,155,000 bushels previous week and 8,271,000 bushels a year ago. The world's visible supply according to Bradstreet's increased 4,275,000 bushels compared to a decrease previous week of 730,000 bushels and an increase same week a year ago of 6,650,000 bushels.

The local market is still quiet and inactive, as notwithstanding two weeks of fine weather, very little wheat is moving yet. Last week the car inspections at this point numbered 288, this week they may probably foot up 460, but last year at this time they averaged about 300 daily. In prices the tendency has been downward and 1 hard has lost about 4c on the week. Influenced by the decline in outside markets Ontario millers have become decidedly lukewarm towards Manitoba wheat. Their little demand has been the means of keeping 1 hard and higher grades 10c above export value, and they are beginning to wonder why they did it. One hard, 2 hard and 1 northern are going to be scarce grades during the current season and will doubtless carry more or less premium for domestic use, but the lower grades must come into line with export value, which probably means lower prices for them than are yet established. At present values are: One hard \$1½c, 2 hard and 1 northern \$0c, 3 hard 7½c, all in store Fort William, tough 2 hard 7½c, tough 3 hard 6½c, tough 3 northern 6½c, 4 in store Fort William; damp and wet wheat 3 to 5c under tough wheat in store Fort Arthur.

FLOUR.—Flour prices are steady at both the big mills. Demand is good, orders being booked ahead. We quote: Ogilvie's Hungarian, \$2.30 per sack of 48lb; Glenora Patent, \$2.15; Lake of the Woods, Five Roses, \$2.30; Patent, \$2.15; Medora, \$1.70, and XXXX \$1.35 per sack.

MILFEED.—Business is steady.

Bran is quoted at \$12.00 per ton, and shorts at \$14.00, in bulk, delivered.

GROUND FEED.—Prices maintain their previous level and the small supply of coarse grain is keeping the volume of sales down to a very low point. As soon as new grain is available prices will be lower. We quote: Oat chop, \$28 per ton; barley chop, \$21.50; mixed barley and oats, \$25; corn chop, \$22; oil cake, \$20 per ton.

COUNTRY WHEAT.—Deliveries of wheat at country points have improved this week, but are still comparatively light. Advices from the grain buyers say that farmers are putting the wheat in their graneries with the intention of cleaning it before selling. This is good policy and will please the trade very much as the grain is mostly very dirty this year. In some cases as much as 20 per cent. of cleanings have been taken out at elevators. Most of the grain now being delivered is from farms which are close to the towns, the wheat being drawn right from the thrasher to the elevator. Buyers have been paying 6c per bushel this week at 17½c points for the best wheat offering. This is expected to grade No. 2 or 3 hard.

OATS.—New oats are offering more freely and the price is now lower. The quality of new oats is very irregular and so also is the price. All the way from 35 to 40c is being named for carlots at Winnipeg. Transactions have taken place the end of the week at 30c and this seems to be the prevailing price for feed grades. No oats good enough for milling purposes have yet been seen. Carlots at country points are worth from 25 to 32c per bushel according to quality and freight rate.

BARLEY.—Carlots of new barley are being offered at 35c per bushel on track here but there is no disposition to buy freely. Deliveries are very light.

CORN.—A few cars are still coming in. Early in the week the price advanced to 51c per bushel, but dropped back again to 49c at which figure it still remains.

FLAX.—The flax crop is in bad shape according to latest advices owing to the damage by rains and it is not expected that there will be any great quantity of good flax this year. Buyers are now offering \$1.35 per bushel at country points.

HAY.—Deliveries are increasing and the market is weaker. Fresh baled hay can be bought to-day at 50c per ton less than a week ago and we quote \$7.00 to \$7.50 per ton on track here. Loose hay on the street is also worth \$7.00 to \$7.50 per ton.

BUTTER—Creamery.—Receipts are large and the market seems weaker. Dealers are paying 19½ to 21c per pound at the factory for choice late September or October make according to quality.

BUTTER—Dairy.—Shipments are coming forward in fairly large quantities, but there is still a disposition on the part of some country merchants to hold back for higher prices. This policy seldom results in the holder realizing his purpose and is one of the reasons why there is so much bad butter in the market. Rolls and butters should now begin to come in as the weather is cooler and they can be easily shipped now. Dealers are offering 13 to 15c per pound now for finest dairy grades, less freight and commission. Second qualities are worth 10 to 12c per pound. This is an advance of 1c per pound for finest over a week ago.

CHEESE.—The market is weak at 9 to 9½c per pound delivered here.

EGGS.—Receipts are not so large and the price has stiffened up. Dealers are now offering as much as 2c per dozen over their prices of a week ago. We quote 16c per dozen for strictly fresh eggs in cases delivered at Winnipeg.

VEGETABLES.—Deliveries of potatoes are increasing with the improved roads and fine weather. We quote now: Potatoes, 35 to 40 cents per bushel; rhubarb, 20c per dozen; lettuce, 10c per dozen; parsley, 20c; green onions and radish, 10c per doz.; carrots, 10c, beets, 10c per dozen; turnips, 25c per bus.; cabbage, 25c to 40c per dozen; ripe tomatoes, 30c per lb; imported tomatoes, 50c per basket; green tomatoes, 30c per bushel; celery, 20c per dozen.

DRESSED MEATS.—Beef is plentiful. Hogs are decidedly scarce and the demand is keen. At the abattoir as high as \$1½c is being asked for these. We quote:

Choice beef, 5½ to 6c per lb. inferior and medium quality, 4½ to 5½c; veal, 6 to 8c; mutton, 9 to 10c; lamb, 10 to 11c; hogs, 7½ to 8½c for best weights.

**POULTRY**—The Thanksgiving demand has been the feature of this market this week. Turkeys sold as high as 18c per pound retail. Prices are now 1c to their old level, which is as follows: Live hens, 9c per pound; dressed, 10c; dressed chickens, 12c; ducks, live weight, 8c, dressed, 10c; turkeys, live, 10c; dressed, 13c.

**GAME**—Wild ducks are plentiful. Dealers pay 15 to 30c per pair, according to size and variety. Geese are selling at from 50 to 75c each, according to size.

**HIDES**—The market is steady and without change. We quote: No. 1 hides, 6½c; No. 2, 5½c; No. 3, 4½c; shearing sheepskins, 20 to 25c each; calfskins, 8c per pound; deakins, 25 to 35c each; horsehides, 75c to \$1.25.

**WOOL**—Market is nominal as practically all the season's clip is already bought up. Dealers quote 8 to 8½c per pound for unwashed fleece and 12½c per pound for washed.

**TALLOW**—Quoted at 3½ to 4c for good to best grades delivered here.

**SENECA**—The market remains strong and steady at last week's prices. Receipts this week have been very light and it is not thought that there will be much if any more digging done this year. Dealers will pay 32 to 33c per pound for best quality root delivered here and 30 to 32c for bulky and dark grades.

**LIVE STOCK.**

**CATTLE**—About 1,500 head of cattle have gone through for export this week. Some stockers have also been shipped to Ontario, and some to the west. Export steers, best grades, are worth 3½c per lb, weighed off cars; second grades, 3c; butchers' cattle, 2½ to 2¾c per lb; stockers, and feeders, 2½ to 2¾c per lb.

**SHEEP**—The market is only taking sheep in moderate numbers. Receipts this week have been a little larger than the demand called for, consequently the feeling is weaker, although there is no actual change in price. Choice grades are worth 4c per pound off cars here.

**HOGS**—Hogs are very scarce and in good demand at higher prices. Buyers are now offering \$5.00 to \$5.75 per 100 pounds for best weights, and from \$4.50 to \$5 for other grades.

**MILCH COWS**—There is an active inquiry for milking cows, but the supply is very limited. From \$30 to \$45 is being offered for these.

**HORSES**—There is very little sale for horses, owing to the poor country demand. A few western horses are being taken for winter breaking and some have been sold for shipment east. Western horses are worth from \$50 to \$90 each, according to quality, halter broken. Heavy horses are not in demand.

there were 16, and the following year, 1892, there were 32 employed, and that work is still going on, and, no doubt, will be for all time. The dairy instructor, to be successful, must keep continually at it and never tire. He must be an experimenter, and must ever keep in touch with new things. "All things are continually becoming new," and this fact applies to dairying more than to any other industry in the world. Manitoba is a peculiar province to make cheese in, there are no two cheese factories in the province in which the instructor can carry the same hand in making cheese, he must operate differently in each factory in order to bring out uniform results in several factories. This is due to natural conditions, which must be understood. I would like also to remind "One of Your Readers" that the government has never spent \$10,000 yearly, that could be charged to expense in fostering the dairy industry—\$5,000 was the usual grant allowed for this purpose.

I trust that my friend will pardon me for trying to put him right in this matter. I am, yours very truly,  
C. C. MACDONALD.

**Minneapolis Markets.**

Flour prices in barrels: First patents, \$3.90 to \$4.10; second patents, \$3.85 to \$3.95.

Millfeed—Shorts in bulk, \$11.75 to \$12.00 per ton; bran in bulk, \$11.50 to \$11.75 per ton; corn feed, \$14.50 to \$15.00 per ton.

Oats—No. 3, 23c to 25½c; No. 3, white, 23¾c.

Barley—35c to 48c, as to quality.

Corn—Quoted at 38½c per bushel for No. 3.

Flax seed—Cash flax, \$1.81; Dec., \$1.67.

Eggs—16½c to 17c for strictly fresh, including cases.

Butter—Creamery, 18c to 21c for choice to extras; seconds, 17 to 18c; dairy, 16 to 18c for choice to fancy; seconds, 15 to 16c.

Cheese—8c to 12c per pound.

Poultry—Roosters, 4 to 5c; hens, 6c; spring chickens, 7c to 8c; turkeys, 6c to 9c; geese, 5c; ducks, 6c to 7c. These prices are live weight.

Dressed Meats—Veal, 5 to 8c; mutton, 5 to 6c; lamb, 8½c.

Potatoes—22 to 25c per bushel.

Hides—Green, salted hides, light, 8c for No. 1; 7c for No. 2; steers, over 60 lbs. No. 1, 5½c; No. 2, 7½c; sheepskins, 25c to \$1.10 each; veal, calf, 7½ to 9c for No. 2 and No. 1; seneca root, 30 to 34c, according to quality; tallow, 3¼ to 4c.

Wool—Unwashed, fine, 13 to 14c; medium fine, 14 to 15c; medium, 15½ to 16½c, coarse, 14 to 15c.

Hay—Timothy, \$12 to \$13 per ton, as to quality; prairie, \$9 to \$11.

Beans—Fancy hand picked, \$2.50; medium hand picked, \$2.15 to \$2.25; medium, \$1.50 to \$1.75.  
Apples—\$2.25 to \$3.50 per barrel.

**Manitoba Wheat Stocks.**

There were 873,000 bushels of wheat in store at Fort William on Oct. 13. Receipts for the week were 53,000 bushels, and shipments were 106,000 bushels. For the corresponding period last year receipts at Fort William were 827,000 bushels. A year ago stocks in store at Fort William were 1,510,000 bushels and 800,000 bushels two years ago. Stocks in store at Keewatin, Winnipeg and interior points, were estimated approximately at 2,355,000 bushels, compared with 5,500,000 bushels a year ago and 2,600,000 bushels two years ago.

**Winnipeg Grain Inspection.**

For the week ending Oct. 13 there were 283 cars of grain inspected, which graded as follows:

Wheat—1 hard, 23, 2 hard, 39, 3 hard, 38, 1 white fyte, 3, 3 northern, 1, rejected, 5; no grade, 171; condemned, 2 cars.

Oats—2 white, 3; no grade, 1; feed, 1 car.

Barley—Feed, 1 car.

For the corresponding week of last year there were 1,825 cars of grain inspected.

**Threshing Notes.**

Rapid City, Man.: R. Robertson, who has S. W. Moore's farm on shares, has just finished threshing 3,000 bushels of wheat—average yield, 23 bushels per acre, for which he received 73 cents. Don't know what he was expecting had this been a good year.

Brandon Sun: Farmers coming in from the country report much of the wheat as stacked. By Saturday night there will be very little of the wheat in the stook, and only part of the oats. The threshing yields that have been reported are very satisfactory, the wheat turning out more to the acre and being of a much better sample than expected.

Franklin, Man.: The excellent weather of late is meeting with much good returns. The farmers are so busy they cannot get time to sleep, some working all night to make up for lost time. Grain is turning out in fairly good shape after all the many discouragements of the season. This week being fine will end the stook threshing, some wheat is still a very fine sample.

Glendale, Man.: Threshers are working day and night to make up for lost time. And if the weather keeps as favorable as during the past week threshing will not last more than two

weeks. Wheat is averaging from 10 to 22 bushels per acre. Oats and barley are a poor crop this fall.

**Tenders.**

Tenders will be received up to November 1 for the purchase of debentures of the town of Rapid City, Man., for the sum of \$2,000.

Tenders, addressed to the chairman of the fire, water and light committee, Winnipeg, for the supply of 500 tons of lime will be received at the office of the city clerk up to Monday, October 29th.

The department of Indian Affairs, Ottawa, is calling for tenders for supplies of flour needed at the various Indian agencies throughout Manitoba and the Northwest Territories. Bids are to be in by the 22nd of October.

Tenders will be received by the town clerk of Rapid City, Man., for the erection of two stone abutments for a bridge across the Little Saskatchewan river, at the town of Rapid City, not later than noon on the 1st day of November, 1900.

**Weather and Crops.**

Another week of fine weather has been experienced. Farmers have made good progress with their work, and stacking, so long delayed by wet weather, is now about completed. A great deal of threshing has also been done during the past two weeks, and the result shows that the grain is not as badly sprouted as might have been expected from the prolonged wet weather. The grain movement is not large yet, compared with previous years at this season. Last week 283 cars of grain were inspected here, and this week will show between 300 and 400 cars, whereas a year ago daily receipts were almost equal to this amount. So far inspection returns show that the wheat is grading mostly No. 3 hard or no grade, but the proportion of no grade is expected to decrease, with the present fine weather.

**Flax Situation.**

Minneapolis Market Record. The receipts of flax at Minneapolis since August 1, amount to 1,655,350 bushels, against 1,110,270 bushels for the same time last year. The percentage of low grade flax is much greater this year than last, owing to the long period of wet weather during September. Prices during the last month have gone through some big changes, steadily working higher selling to-day at \$1.81½ per bushel, the highest point yet reached. There has been a great scramble among the shorts for some time. The amount of No. 1 flax received, has not been large enough to fill short sales and this has kept the market in a very excited condition.

**Manitoba Dairy Industry.**

Dear Sir.—In last week's issue of your valuable paper an article appears over the nom de plum of "One of Your Readers," regarding the condition of the cheese industry in the province this year. Your correspondent says that certain statements made by the executive of the Butter and Cheese Makers' union reflects upon the last four years' work of the late dairy commissioner. I would like to point out to my friend and "One of Your Readers" that the said statements do not reflect upon the late dairy commissioner nor upon his work. I fear that your correspondent is not very conversant with the art of cheese and butter making, and he surely will not take it amiss if I endeavor to give a pointer. It is a mistaken idea that instructions given to-day in cheese and butter making will bear fruit to the fullest extent for all time to come. As an illustration of this let us look at what has been done in the provinces of Ontario and Quebec. Just 37 years ago the first cheese factories were established in these two provinces; one in Ontario, near Stratford, and the other in Dunham, Missisquoi county, Que. Fully 25 years ago cheese instructors were employed to go from factory to factory giving instructions in cheese making; to-day there are more instructors employed than ever, and still more required; and no doubt this work will continue just as long as cheese is made in Ontario. In Quebec in the year 1850 there were but three instructors employed, in 1851,

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TORONTO WHOLESALE TRADE. Special to The Commercial

Toronto, Oct. 20. Dry Goods-Cool weather is stimulating the demand for heavy goods. Ladies' underwear for spring is advancing. Cottons are very firm.

Hardware-Quiet. Volume of trade about as usual for the season. Most important change is a decline of 11 per cent. in some lines of nuts and bolts. Jobbers were notified this week by United States ammunition manufacturers that the rebate hitherto allowed has been withdrawn. Pig tin is lower. Linseed oil is firm. Turpentine shows an upward tendency.

Groceries-Rather dull. Salmon is strong. Sugar easy and unchanged. New currants are expected to-morrow. All dried fruits are very strong. The few Valencia shelled almonds here are held at 10 cents. Canned vegetables are unsettled and buyers holding off. Tomatoes are selling at 5 1/2 to 5 7/8c. Peas and corn at 8 1/2 to 8 3/4 cents.

TORONTO GRAIN AND PRODUCE. Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, Oct 20. Manitoba wheat offering lower at 30c, grinding in transit, 30c Goderich and 30c Toronto and west. Ontario winter wheat is weaker and offering at 6 1/2c west. Buyers quote 6 1/2c. Other grains are steady. Hog products are active and not quite so firm. Dressed hogs are easier for carlots spot. For next week's delivery cars have been offered at 7c. Eggs are firm on moderate receipts. Fresh gathered 17 to 18c. More dairy butter is now offering and prices are easier. Stocks on hand are increasing. Low grades slow.

Flour-Manitoba Patent, \$1.70. Manitoba bakers, \$1.40 to \$1.45 for carlots at Toronto. Ontario patent, \$2.35 to \$3.10.

Wheat-Ontario new winter wheat, 6 1/2 to 6c for red and white west. Ontario spring 6 1/2 to 6 3/4c east. No. 1 hard, 6 1/2c, grinding in transit. Toronto and west 5 1/2c.

Oats-2 1/2 to 2 3/4c as to quality. No. 2 white 2 1/2c, on cars at western Ontario points.

Barley-3 1/2 to 3 3/4c for No. 3 extra on vessels east.

Millfeed-Shorts, \$14 per ton for cars west. Bran \$12 per ton.

Oatmeal-\$3.10 in bags per barrel, and \$3.20 in wood for carlots, Toronto.

Hay-Carlots on track, \$9 to \$9.50 per ton.

Eggs-17 to 18c for fresh gathered per dozen. Lined and held fresh, 15 to 16c.

Butter-Choice fresh dairy, in tubs and pails, 17 to 18c, as to quality. Pound lots, 15 to 16c. Second grades 14 to 15c. Creamery packages, 20 to 21c. Prints, 22 to 23c.

Cheese-11 1/2 to 11 3/4c for job lots.

Hides-7 1/2c for No. 1 cows. No. 1 heavy steers, 5c. Country hides 1 1/2c under these prices. Calveskins, 5c for No. 1, and 7c for No. 2. Lambskins, 7 1/2c each tallow. 5 to 7 1/2c.

Wool-Washed fleeces, 15 to 16c. unwashed, 9 to 10c.

Beans-\$1.45 to \$1.50 per bushel for handpicked, job lots.

Dried Apples-5 1/2 to 6c for round lots; evaporated, 6 1/2c to 7c.

Honey-9 to 10c per pound.

Poultry-Turkeys, 40 to 45c per pair. Turkeys 9 to 11c per pound.

Ducks, 60 to 70c per pair. Geese 6 to 7c per lb.

Potatoes-30c per bushel for car lots.

TORONTO LIVE STOCK MARKET. Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, Oct. 17. Receipts at the semi-weekly market yesterday were 500 cattle, 1,000 sheep and lambs and 500 hogs.

Export Cattle-Trade dull. Quotations range from \$4.40 to \$4.60 per cwt for choice and \$4 to \$4.40 for light.

Butchers' Cattle - Market firm. Choice cattle in good demand at \$4 to \$4.50 as to quality. Common to good \$2.50 to \$4 per cwt.

Feeders-Steady. Good wanted. Short keep, \$4.12 1/2 to \$4.37 1/2 ordinary to good, \$2.75 to \$3.65 per cwt.

Stockers-Choice bring as high as \$3.25 per cwt. Poor are slow.

weight, \$5.75 per cwt for fats and \$5.42 1/2 per cwt for lights and corn-fed.

FRIDAY'S MARKETS.

Toronto, Oct. 20. At the semi-weekly markets yesterday receipts were 70 cars, including 1,800 hogs and 1,200 sheep and lambs. Export cattle were slow and unchanged. Butchers' steady for choice at \$4.50 to \$4.25. Low grades weaker and slow. Feeders easier at \$4.25 top. Stockers easier at \$3.00 top. Sheep and lambs are firm and unchanged. Hogs are weaker, but no lower.

MONTREAL GRAIN & PRODUCE. Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, Oct. 20. The grain market is quiet. Wheat closed 1 1/2c lower yesterday, compared with a week ago. Barley is 1/2c lower on the week. Flour fairly active and steady. Oatmeal quiet. Feed active and firm. Hay is easier, No. 2 grade being quoted 2 1/2c lower. Cheese is not as active but the market is strong. Prices are 1/2c higher than a week ago. Butter is steady and firm. Eggs active and firm. Hides steady and unchanged. Potatoes steady. Prices are as follows:-

Wheat-No 1 spring wheat, 75 to 75 1/2c.

Barley-4 1/2 to 4 3/4c.

Oats-2 1/2 to 2 3/4c aloft.

Flour-In fair demand. Manitoba patent, \$4.70 seconds, do., \$4.50.

Manitoba strong bakers, \$4.20 to \$4.40; straight rollers, \$3.35 to \$3.50.

Rolls Oatmeal-\$2.25 to \$2.30 per barrel, and \$1.57 1/2 to \$1.60 for bags.

Feed-Market firm, good demand. Manitoba bran, bags, \$16, shorts, \$18.

Baled Hay-Choice, \$9.50 to \$10; No. 2, \$8.25 to \$8.75.

Cheese-Western makes at 11 1/2 to 11 3/4c for white and 11 3/4 to 11 1/2c for colored.

Townships white, 11 1/2c. Quebec white, 11c, colored, 11 1/4c.

Butter-Finest creamery, 20 1/2 to 20 3/4, seconds, 19 1/2c, dairy, 17 1/2 to 18c.

Eggs-Prices firm. Strictly fresh, 20c, No. 1, candled, 18 to 18 1/2c, No. 2, 14 to 15c.

Maple Syrup-6 1/2 to 7c in wood; tins, 5 1/2 to 6c.

Honey-White clover, comb, 12 to 12 1/2c, extracted, 8 to 8 1/2c.

Hides-No. 1, 5c; No. 2, 7c; No. 3, 6c. Calveskins, 9 to 7c. Lambskins, 7 1/2c for good fresh skins.

Potatoes-15 to 17 1/2c per bag.

Wool-Washed fleeces, 15 to 16c. unwashed, 9 to 10c.

Beans-\$1.45 to \$1.50 per bushel for handpicked, job lots.

Dried Apples-5 1/2 to 6c for round lots; evaporated, 6 1/2c to 7c.

Honey-9 to 10c per pound.

Poultry-Turkeys, 40 to 45c per pair. Turkeys 9 to 11c per pound.

Ducks, 60 to 70c per pair. Geese 6 to 7c per lb.

Potatoes-30c per bushel for car lots.

MONTREAL LIVE STOCK PRICES. Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, Oct 16. Receipts of live stock at the East End abattoir market yesterday were 600 cattle and 600 sheep and lambs.

There was only one really good load of cattle on the market, and these sold at from 4 1/2c to 4 3/4c per lb.

Good stock sold at 3 1/2c to 4c per lb. and common cows and young cattle at 2 1/2c to 3c per lb.

While small bulls and lean cows sold at 2c to 2 1/2c per lb. Trade was rather slow, excepting for the best cattle, which brought slightly higher prices.

Shippers paid 3 1/2c per lb for good sheep, and the butchers others. Good lambs sold at 4c to 4 1/2c per lb, and the common ones at 3 1/2c to 3 3/4c per lb.

Heavy fat hogs sold at 5c to 5 1/2c per lb. Good straight lots at 5 1/2c to 6c per lb. weighed off cars.

The demand for ocean freight space has improved a little. At the latter end of last week Liverpool space was let at 45s, but to-day agents are firm at 50s.

London has let at 40s to 42s 6d, and Glasgow at 50s to 52s 6d.

THURSDAY'S MARKETS.

Montreal, Oct. 19. At the East End abattoir yesterday receipts were 500 cattle, 600 sheep, 100 lambs and 350 hogs.

Demand for cattle was firm and business was on a more liberal scale, with prices holding steady.

Choice cattle sold at 4 1/2 to 4 3/4, good at 3 1/2 to 4c, fair at 3 to 3 1/2c, and common at 2 1/2 to 2 3/4c.

Sheep were in good demand at 3 to 3 1/2c. Lambs active at 3 to 3 1/2c.

Hogs were firm. Selected weights sold at 6 to 6 1/2, and heavy at 5 1/2 to 5 3/4c off cars.

MONTREAL GROCERY TRADE. Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, Oct. 20. Sugar is fairly active and steady. Molasses in good demand. Valencia raisins quieter and firm. Teas quiet.

Currants are higher. Provisions active and firm.

Prices are: Sugar, granulated,

\$5.00 per 100 lbs; yellows, \$4.20 to \$4.80; molasses, 40 to 41c. Valencia raisins, fine off stalk, 8 1/2c to 8 3/4c, selected, 9c. Layers, 0 1/4c; currants, 1 1/2c to 1 3/4c; canned goods, tomatoes, 8 1/2c to 8 3/4c; peas, 7 1/2 to 8c; corn, 80 to 90c; salmon, \$0 to \$0.75 per case; Japan teas, 17 1/2 to 20c.

Provisions - The market is firm. Quotations are: Pork \$19 to \$21; lard, pure, 10 1/2c to 11 1/4c; hams, 10 1/2c to 11c; bacon, 12 to 14c.

MONTREAL HARDWARE MARKET. Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, Oct. 20. The market has been very steady this week, with scarcely any changes in values. Prices are as follows.

Pig Iron, summer, No. 1, \$24 to \$25.00, Nova Scotia, \$23.00 to \$23.50, bar iron, \$1.55 to \$1.65; tin plates, cokes, \$3.85 to \$4.00; charcoal, \$1.25 to \$1.50; Canada plates, \$2.80 to \$2.90;terne plates, \$7.50;

Ingot tin, 32 to 33c; copper, 18 to 19c; lead, \$1.15 to \$1.25, manilla cordage, 12 to 13c, sisal, 9 to 10c; linseed oil, raw, 70 to 80c; boiled, 82 to 83c;

seal oil, 50 to 52 1/2c; turpentine 58 to 59c; cement, German, \$2.40 to \$2.60; English, \$2.30 to \$2.40; Belgian, \$1.50 to \$2.00; Canadian, \$2.10 to \$2.25, white lead, standard, \$6.50; coal tar, \$4 to \$4.50.

LIVERPOOL CATTLE MARKET. Special to The Commercial.

Liverpool, Oct. 19. Cattle easier at 11 to 12c, dressed weight. Sheep, 12 to 13c per lb.

LIVERPOOL CHEESE MARKET. Special to The Commercial.

Liverpool, Oct. 19. Cheese quoted at 5 1/2 for white and 5 1/4 for colored, which shows an advance of 6d since last week.

LONDON SUGAR MARKET. Special to The Commercial.

London, Oct 19. Beet sugar is 1 1/2d lower.

CHEESE MARKETS.

Ingersoll, Oct. 16.-[Special].-Offerings, 465 boxes, 11c bid. No sales on board.

Campbellford, Oct. 16.-At the regular meeting of the cheese board here this morning 2,000 white cheese were boarded. Sales were all made at 1 1/2c.

The Money Market.

This seems to have been a week of more activity in the world's money markets. A buoyant feeling is reported from the various European centres.

In New York speculative buying early in the week lifted prices several points for most leading securities and there was a better feeling in that market than there has been for some time.

This was due to the prospective settlement of the Pennsylvania coal miners' strike and increased confidence in the outcome of the presidential elections.

Another bullish factor was the engagement of gold for import from South Africa, being the first product of the Rand mines since the war.

At Toronto and Montreal there has been considerable buying of industrial securities this week.

In the listed mining shares the principal feature was a drop in War Eagle.

In the local money market there is a firm feeling and banks are pursuing a very conservative policy with regard to loans.

Banks are asking 6 to 8 per cent for mercantile loans with a tendency to hold out for the latter figure.

Mortgage companies are asking 7 to 8 per cent for loans on city property, and 8 per cent straight on farm loans.

Movements of Business Men.

A. S. Stout, of Toronto, manager of the Dominion Express Co., accompanied by Mr. Ford, has returned from a trip to British Columbia and the west and expresses much satisfaction at the prospects of business, both in Manitoba and the Territories, not less than in British Columbia.

James Turnbull, of Hamilton, cashier of the Bank of Hamilton, and D. B. Dick, architect of the bank, have gone over the premises in Winnipeg thoroughly this week with a view to enlarging the building, and it is announced that next year the proposed improvements will be made.

The intention is to extend the block so as to take in the lot now occupied by Clougher's saloon.

The Commercial Men.

J. Russell Fox, a Winnipeg traveler, is in the hospital suffering from an attack of typhoid fever.

Walter S. Crone, of Montreal, western representative of H. A. Nelson & Sons Co., was in the city this week.

President Wm. Hargreaves, of the N. W. C. T. A., returned on Saturday last from a trip to the coast and through the Kootenay and Boundary districts. He states that everything is looking fine in the west, and that the results of the crops after threshing are far better than anticipated by the farmers in many sections of Manitoba.

F. E. Rosser, of Winnipeg, one of Bright & Johnston's travellers, has gone east on a trip which has other than business ends in view. He will, if current rumor is correct, take unto himself a better seven-eighths and henceforth the road will have no charms for Mr. Rosser.

Western Business Items.

Wm Johnson has opened in the grocery business at Qu'Appelle Station, Assa.

W. W. Miller, general merchant, Edmonton, Alberta, is selling out by auction and moving to Seattle.

The Macpherson Fruit Co. have received this week a car of fine Nova Scotia gravenstein winter apples which they are offering to the trade at \$1.50 per barrel.

David Phillip, formerly Queen's printer for Manitoba, has taken the agency here for the Remington typewriter. Mr. Phillip will also handle several lines as manufacturers' agent, in the hardware trade.

Toronto Grocery Market.

Toronto, Oct. 20. SUGARS-Granulated, delivered Toronto, \$5 1/2 to \$5.15, yellows, from \$4.35 to \$5.03.

SYRUPS-Imperial gallons, medium, 32c; special bright, 35 to 42c.

MOLASSES-West India, barrels, 32 to 40c; New Orleans, 25 to 30c for medium, and 35 to 47c for bright.

COFFEE-Rio, green, 10 to 14c; Mocha, 2 1/2 to 3c; Java, 2 1/2 to 3c.

TEAS-Japan, low grade, 10 to 20c per lb; Young Hysons, seconds, 10 to 11c; firsts, 25 to 45c; Indian, 15 to 20c; Congou, low grades, 10 to 15c, mediums, 20 to 25c, finest, 40 to 55c. Ceylon 17 to 35c. Formosa 10 to 25c.

CANNED GOODS - Tomatoes 5 to 8c; peas, 8 to 10c; corn, 5c; beans, 5 to 6c; Malted selected peas, \$1.05 to \$1.20; pumpkin, 20c; raspberries, 2s, \$1.75 to \$2; peaches, 2s, \$1.80 to \$2; 3s, \$2.00 to \$2.05; apples, 2s, 5c; pineapple, 2s, \$2.20 to \$2.75; do, 2 1/2s, \$2.40, do, 3s, \$2.50; plums, 2s, \$1.10 to \$1.20. Salmon-Cohoos, prime dark pink fish, \$1.25; sockeyes, red, \$1.00 to \$1.25; lobsters, halves, \$1.80 to \$1.90, tail, lbs., \$2.30; flats, \$3.25.

RICE-Rice bags, 3 1/2 to 4c; Java, 6 to 6 1/2c; Patna, 5 1/2 to 6c; Japan, 6 to 6 1/2c.

SPICES-Ginger, Jamaica, 25c; Ceylon, 24c; cloves, Zanzibar, 20 to 22c; Amboyina, 20 to 22c; Penang, 20 to 22c; allspice, 15c; nutmeg, 50 to 60c; cream tartar, pure, 25 to 28c compound, 15 to 20c; pepper, black, pure Singapore, 15c; Penang, 17c; compound, 13 to 14c; pepper, pure white, 25 to 30c.

DRIED FRUITS-Raisins, Valencia, selected, 9 1/2 to 10 1/2c; California 3 crown loose Muscatels, 9 1/2c; Filadras currants, 17 to 18c; Patras, 14c; Vos-tiza, 17 to 18c; California dried fruit-Apricot, 14 to 15c; peaches, 8 1/2 to 10c; prunes, 7 1/2 to 8 1/2c; 8 1/2c, 8 1/2c to 9 1/2c, 9 1/2c to 10 1/2c, 10 1/2c to 11 1/2c, 11 1/2c to 12 1/2c. Sultanas, 14 to 15c. Hallowe dates, 7 1/2 to 8c.

NUTS-Shelled Valencia almonds, 40c; shelled Jordan almonds, 45c; Bordeaux walnuts, 11 to 12c; shelled walnuts, 2 1/2 to 2 3/4c; Grenoble, 13 to 14c; Sicily Al-berts, 12 to 13c.

PEEL-Orange, 12 to 13c; lemon, 10 1/2 to 12c; citron, 14 to 20c.

PROVISIONS.

PORK-Canada mess, short cut, \$10.50 to \$2; heavy, \$17.50 to \$18; shoulders, \$14.50.

DRY SALTED MEATS-Long clear bacon, car lots, 10c; ton and case lots, 10 1/2c; breakfast bacon, 10 1/2 to 11 1/2c; hams, 12 1/2 to 13 1/2c; rolls, 11c. Green meats out of pickle are quoted at 1c less than smoked.

LARD-Tierce, 10c, tubs 10 1/2 to 11c, 10 1/2 to 11c.

Shipments of live stock from the port of Montreal last week amounted to 2,913 head of cattle, 3,031 head of sheep and 66 horses.

The McClary Manufacturing Co. are putting a new stove on the market this season, which has been constructed especially for the trade of Manitoba and the Territories. It has been named "McClary's Famous Hot Blast Heater" and will burn hard or soft coals. The principle of this stove is that the smoke is made to pass through the fire, thus securing the burning of the gas from the coal.

BRITISH COLUMBIA OFFICE OF THE COMMERCIAL

Business at Vancouver.

Vancouver, Oct. 15, 1900. The feature of the week has been the unexpected failure of H. H. Layfield, head of a large dry goods concern on Hastings street. At the same time came the announcement of other concerns that they are about to inaugurate large sacrifice sales, so that the dry goods firms of Vancouver, who are attempting to earn a living by legitimate business methods, are in as bad a way as the ready-made clothing houses, who have to compete with immense stocks of gentlemen's furnishings thrown on the market at bankrupt prices.

Wholesalers report a quiet uneventful week. Among the industries lumber shows the most activity, especially in export trade. During the week the Buse mills were sold to the Tytler company, who are going to increase their capacity and actively enter into the trade in Vancouver. Among the good news is the rumor that the British government have been buying 20,000,000 feet of lumber per year from United States concerns on the Pacific coast for purposes of the admiralty, are to hereafter transfer the business to British Columbia. Another industry is opening up very favorably, that is the shipment of cedar and fir slabs to China for the manufacture of tea boxes and chests; this trade is likely to reach large proportions.

The salmon packers are closing a bad year with the failure of the coho run. The first of the salmon fleet, the Clan William, has sailed for the Old Country with 63,431 cases of salmon valued at \$450,000; this is the product of up the coast canneries as well as the Fraser river. The United States government has practically made an offer through the United States consul here that they will erect hatcheries tributary to the Fraser if permitted to do so, for the purpose of perpetuating the salmon in the North Pacific waters. Nothing has yet come of the offer. In the meantime the Canadian government are erecting a hatchery on Shuswap Lake and will erect another in the far north.

Shipping is very active and is likely to become more so. Lumber ships are constantly arriving.

There is a probability that a government steamer will shortly be built on the coast, while a government dredge is to be built at New Westminster, the C. P. N. company are arranging for a fast steamer to run between Victoria and Skagway.

The fact that the Harewood and Southfield coal mines are being reopened on Vancouver Island shows a big demand for B. C. coal.

In last Friday's New Westminster market poultry was abundant. Spring chickens sold at \$5 a dozen, ducks \$6.25; turkeys were very scarce, apples were in demand at \$1 a box, butter was firm at last week's figures and eggs were in great demand at 40 cents. Fresh meats dragged somewhat; eleven calves were sold in Vancouver for butchers at 10 cents lb, this was the highest price paid, the average price being 7 1/2 cents, eighty-five live hogs sold at 6 1/2 cent on foot, a dozen carcasses of mutton sold at 3 cents and some forty lambs \$1 each.

British Columbia Markets.

All quotations, unless otherwise specified, are wholesale for such quantities as are usually taken by retail dealers, and are subject to the usual reductions on large quantities, and to cash discounts.

PRICES AT VANCOUVER.

(By wire to The Commercial.) Vancouver, Oct. 20. The principal changes in the market this week are in hog products, which are higher nearly all through the list. Lard is 1/2 cent higher, and most lines of cured meats are about 1/2 cent higher. Manitoba eggs are out of the market, but eastern stock is offering. British Columbia local fresh eggs are higher. New canned corn and peas are now in the market. GRAIN—Oats, \$21 per ton; wheat, \$22. FLOUR—Delivered B. C. points—Manitoba patent, per barrel, \$3.40; strong bakers, \$4.30; Oregon, \$4.50 per barrel, Endet by, H. C. flour, \$5.25. FEED—National mills crops, \$24 per ton; bran, \$18; shorts, \$20; oil cake meal, \$35 ton, f.o.b. Vancouver, including duty paid on imported stuff. HAY—Per ton, \$17. MFAL—Holed oats, 90th sack, \$2.60, two 45th sacks, \$2.70; four 22 1/2th sacks, \$2.90; ten 7th sacks, \$2.50; oatmeal in 10th sacks, per 100lb, \$3.23; in 50th sacks, \$3.00 per 100lb. LIVE STOCK—Steers, \$1.75 per 100lb; butchers' cows, \$3 per 100lb; sheep, \$4.50

per 100lb; lambs, \$4.00-\$4.50 each; hogs, \$0.50 per 100lb. DRESSED MEATS—Beef, 7 1/2c; mutton, 10c-10 1/2c; pork, 8 1/2c; veal, 11c. GAME—Mallard ducks, 65c per pair, \$1 per pair; venison, 8c. CURED MEATS—Ham, 14c-15c, break fast bacon, 12 1/2c-13c; hocks, 13c; lang clear, 12c; rolls, 12 1/2c-13c; smoked sides, 13c. LARD—Thin, 12 1/2c-13c per lb; palis, 12 1/2c-13c; tubs, 13c-14c. BUTTER—Local creamery, 30c; Manitoba creamery, 24c-24 1/2c; fresh dairy, 18 1/2c-19c. EGGS—Fresh local, 40c; eastern eggs, 24c-25c. CHEESE—Eastern, 13 1/2c-14c. VEGETABLES—Potatoes, Fraser Valley \$1.50-\$1.60 per ton; Ashcroft potatoes, \$1.70-\$1.75 per ton; silver skin onions, 1 1/2c per lb; California onions, 1 1/2c per lb. FISH—Flounders, 3c; smelts, 6c; sea bass, 4c; whiting, 6c; soles, 6c; halibut, 6c; salmon 6c, cod 6c per lb; crabs, 60c per dozen. GREEN FRUITS—Pomegranates, \$1.50-1.60; lemons, \$4.00-\$4.50; pears, \$1.50; tomatoes, 80c; California apples, \$1.50-\$1.75 per box, quinces, \$1.25 box, sweet potatoes, 2 1/2c lb. DRIED FRUITS—Apricots, 11c; peaches, 10c; pitted plums, 12 1/2c-13 1/2c; prunes, French, 5 1/2c-6c; London layer raisins, \$2.25-\$2.50 per box; Muscatel raisins, 2 crown, 8c; 3 crown, 9 1/2c; 4 crown, 9c; dates, 9c; black figs, 6c; white figs, 9 1/2c; layer figs, 10th box, \$1.45; all over prunes, 9 1/2c; quartered pears, 11 1/2c-12 1/2c; half pears, 12 1/2c-13c; nectarines, 14c; Valencia raisins, 7 1/2c; sultanas, 11 1/2c-14c; blackberries, 13c; raspberries, 25c; seedling raisins, 10c. NUTS—Almonds, 15c; almonds, 12 1/2c; peanuts, 8 1/2c-10 1/2c; Brazil, 12 1/2c; walnuts, 10c per lb; coconuts, 90¢. SUGARS—Powdered, 10c and 11c; extra C, 6 1/2c; fancy yellows, 5c; yellow, 4 1/2c per lb. SYRUPS—30 gal. barrels, 2 1/2c lb; 10 gal. kegs, 2 1/2c gal. tin, \$1.75 each; 1 gal. tin, \$1.50 case of 10; 1/2 gal. tin, \$3.25 case of 20. TEAS—Congo, fair, 11 1/2c; good, 18c; choice, 20c; Ceylon and India, fair, 20c. RICE—Chinese rice, \$74 ton; Japan rice, \$80-\$84 ton; sapinno, 6c; cargo, 5c. CANNED GOODS—Corn, \$1.60-\$1.10; peas, \$1.00-\$1.10; tomatoes, \$1.25; beans, \$1.10. HARDWARE—Bar iron—Base, \$2.75; horse shoe nails, discount, 40 per cent; horse shoes, keg, \$5.25. Wire nails—Base price, \$4.00, cut \$3.25. Rope, Manila, 15 1/2c. Balled oil, \$1.00. White lead, 39¢. Putty, \$3.50. Barbed wire, \$4.75 per 100 lb. Glass, first break, \$14.75.

PRICES IN THE KOOTENAY. Special to The Commercial.

Nelson, Oct. 20. Trade continues good here. Manitoba eggs have now ceased coming, and the market is supplied with Ontario stock. Summer stocks of creamery butter are being cleared out. Choice fall makes are offering at 24 to 25c, and dairy butter at 18c. Receipts of potatoes are heavy and the market is lower. Cheese—New cheese, 13 1/2c. Eggs—Ontario fresh, 23c. Oats—Per ton, \$32. Millfeed—Bran, \$20, shorts, \$22 per ton. Flour—Manitoba patent, \$5.00. Hay—New, per ton, \$23. Potatoes—New, \$16 per ton.

British Columbia Notes.

David Lindsay, clothier and dry goods merchant, Victoria, has assigned to J. J. Sargison. W. W. Moore, formerly traveller for the Anderson Produce Company, has opened a produce and commission business at Vancouver. The city council of Vancouver have imposed a tax of \$1,000 a year on trading stamp companies, and \$500 a year on firms using such stamps. H. H. Layfield & Co., dry goods merchants, Vancouver, have assigned. They have been understood to be hard pressed financially for some time. The liabilities are estimated at \$18,000. Layfield has been in business in Vancouver for about thirteen years. A. A. Boak & Co., Ltd., capital \$25,000, has been incorporated to take over the real estate and finance business of A. A. Boak & Co., Vancouver. The British Columbia Finance Trust & General Corporation, Limited; and the Canada Mortgage Corporation, Ltd., have been licensed as extra-provincial companies.

The weekly Miner, of Ymir, B. C., has just issued an illustrated supplement descriptive of the mines in that district. Besides a number of half-tone engravings showing the town and district, there is a full description of each mining camp, which the editor says is the result of personal observation and examination. An interesting chapter is also given on mining in the province generally. Altogether this is a very creditable publication.

New York Wheat.

New York, Oct. 16.—Wheat, Dec. opened 79 1/2, highest 79 1/2, lowest 79 1/2, closed at 79 1/2. May closed 82 1/2 a. New York, Oct. 16.—Wheat, Dec. opened 79 1/2, highest 80, lowest 79 1/2, closed at 79 1/2 a. New York, Oct. 17.—Wheat, Dec. opened 80 1/2, highest 80 1/2, lowest 79 1/2, closed 79 1/2. New York, Oct. 18.—Wheat, Dec. opened 79 1/2, highest 79 1/2, lowest 78 1/2, closed 79 1/2. New York, Oct. 19.—Wheat, Dec. opened 79 1/2, closed 79 1/2. May closed 82 1/2 a. New York, Oct. 20.—December wheat closed at 79 1/2c; May closed at 82 1/2c.

Chicago Board of Trade Prices.

Chicago, Oct. 15.—Wheat, Oct. opened at 74, highest 74, lowest 73 1/2, closed 73 1/2. Nov. opened 74 1/2, highest 74 1/2, lowest 73 1/2, closed 73 1/2. Dec. opened 75 1/2, highest 75 1/2, lowest 74 1/2, closed 74 1/2. Corn, Oct. opened 40 1/2, highest 41, lowest 40 1/2, closed 40 1/2. Nov. opened 37 1/2, highest 37 1/2, lowest 37, closed 37 1/2. Oats, Oct. opened 21 1/2, highest 21 1/2, lowest 21, closed 21 1/2. Nov. opened 21 1/2, highest 21 1/2, lowest 21, closed 21 1/2. Pork, Jan. opened \$11.22, highest \$11.20, lowest \$11.20, closed \$11.22. Lard, Oct. opened \$6.90, closed \$6.90. Lard, Oct. opened at \$6.55, closed \$6.55. Jan. opened \$4, highest \$6.60, lowest \$6, closed \$6.60. Flax, \$1.75 a Nov. \$1.67, Dec. \$1.65 b.

Chicago, Oct. 16.—Wheat, Oct. opened at 73 1/2, highest 73 1/2, lowest 73 1/2, closed at 73 1/2. Nov. opened 74 1/2, highest 74 1/2, lowest 74, closed 74 1/2. Dec. opened 74 1/2, highest 75 1/2, lowest 74 1/2, closed 75 1/2. Corn, Oct. opened 41, highest 41 1/2, lowest 41, closed 41 1/2. Nov. opened 37 1/2, highest 37 1/2, lowest 37, closed 37 1/2. Oats, Oct. opened 21 1/2, highest 21 1/2, lowest 21 1/2, closed 21 1/2. Nov. opened 21 1/2, highest 21 1/2, lowest 21, closed 21 1/2. Pork, Jan. opened \$11.22, highest \$11.20, lowest \$11.22, closed \$11.22. Lard, Oct. opened \$6.57, highest \$6.57, lowest \$6.57, closed \$6.57. Flax, Oct. at \$1.72 b. Nov. \$1.68 Dec. 1.65 b.

Chicago, Oct. 17.—Wheat, Oct. opened at 74, highest 74, lowest 73 1/2, closed 73 1/2. Nov. opened 74 1/2, highest 74 1/2, lowest 74, closed 74 1/2. Dec. opened 75 1/2, highest 75 1/2, lowest 74 1/2, closed 75 1/2. Corn, Oct. opened 40 1/2, highest 40 1/2, lowest 40 1/2, closed 40 1/2. Nov. opened 37 1/2, highest 37 1/2, lowest 37, closed 37 1/2. Oats, Oct. opened 21 1/2, highest 21 1/2, lowest 21 1/2, closed 21 1/2. Nov. opened 21 1/2, highest 21 1/2, lowest 21, closed 21 1/2. Pork, Jan. opened \$11.22, highest \$11.20, lowest \$11.22, closed \$11.22. Lard, Oct. opened \$6.57, highest \$6.57, lowest \$6.57, closed \$6.57. Flax, Oct. \$1.80 a. Cash \$1.70.

Chicago, Oct. 18.—Wheat, Oct. opened at 73, highest 73, lowest 72 1/2, closed 72 1/2. Nov. opened 74 1/2, highest 74 1/2, lowest 74, closed 74 1/2. Dec. opened 75 1/2, highest 75 1/2, lowest 74 1/2, closed 75 1/2. Corn, Oct. opened 40 1/2, highest 40 1/2, lowest 40 1/2, closed 40 1/2. Nov. opened 37 1/2, highest 37 1/2, lowest 37, closed 37 1/2. Oats, Oct. opened 21 1/2, highest 21 1/2, lowest 21 1/2, closed 21 1/2. Nov. opened 21 1/2, highest 21 1/2, lowest 21, closed 21 1/2. Pork, Jan. opened \$11.22, highest \$11.20, lowest \$11.22, closed \$11.22. Lard, Oct. opened \$6.57, highest \$6.57, lowest \$6.57, closed \$6.57. Flax, Oct. \$1.91 a. Nov. \$1.81, Dec. \$1.72.

Chicago, Oct. 19.—Wheat, Oct. opened at 73 1/2, highest 73 1/2, lowest 73, closed 73 1/2. Nov. opened 74 1/2, highest 74 1/2, lowest 74, closed 74 1/2. Dec. opened 75 1/2, highest 75 1/2, lowest 74 1/2, closed 75 1/2. Corn, Oct. opened 40 1/2, highest 40 1/2, lowest 40 1/2, closed 40 1/2. Nov. opened 37 1/2, highest 37 1/2, lowest 37, closed 37 1/2. Oats, Oct. opened 21 1/2, highest 21 1/2, lowest 21 1/2, closed 21 1/2. Nov. opened 21 1/2, highest 21 1/2, lowest 21, closed 21 1/2. Pork, Jan. opened \$11.22, highest \$11.20, lowest \$11.22, closed \$11.22. Lard, Oct. opened \$6.57, highest \$6.57, lowest \$6.57, closed \$6.57. Flax, Oct. closed \$1.84.

Chicago, Oct. 20.—December wheat opened at 74 1/2c and ranged from 73 1/2c to 74 1/2c. Wheat—Oct. 73 1/2c, Dec. 74 1/2c. Corn—Oct. 39 1/2c, Dec. 35 1/2c. Oats—Oct. 21 1/2c, Dec. 22 1/2c. Pork—\$14, Nov. \$11.12 1/2. Lard—Oct. \$7.00, Nov. \$6.97 1/2. Ribs—Oct. \$7.00, Nov. \$6.40. A week ago December option closed at 75 1/2c. A year ago December wheat closed at 69 1/2c; two years ago at 67 1/2c; three years ago at 90 1/2c; four years ago at 69 1/2c; five years ago at 60 1/2c; and six years ago at 52 1/2c.

LIVERPOOL PRICES.

Liverpool, Oct. 19.—Wheat, spot No. 2 red western winter firm at 6s 1/2d, No. 1 northern spring dull at 6s 4 1/2d, No. 1 California dull at 6s 6 1/2d. Futures steady; Dec. 6s 4 1/2d; Feb. 6s 1 1/2d. Liverpool, Oct. 20.—Wheat closed 1/2d lower.

WINNIPEG CLOSING WHEAT.

Wheat quiet and easy feeling, in view of the premium on Manitoba wheat. No. 1 hard quoted at 83c in store Fort William. No. 1 northern was offered to-day at 79 1/2c.

CHICAGO FLAX MARKET.

Chicago Oct. 20.—The market for flax seed closed to-day at \$1.86 for cash; Oct., \$1.84; Dec., \$1.74.

MINNEAPOLIS WHEAT.

Minneapolis, Oct. 20.—Wheat closed at 75 1/2c for Dec. Cash No. 1 hard closed at 75 1/2c and cash No. 1 northern at 70 1/2c.

DULUTH WHEAT MARKET.

No. 1 northern wheat at Duluth closed as follows for each day of the week:

Monday—Dec., 77 1/2c, May, 80 1/2c. Tuesday—Dec., 77 1/2c, May, 80 1/2c. Wednesday—Dec., 78 1/2c, May, 81c. Thursday—Dec., 77 1/2c, May, 80 1/2c. Friday—Oct., 77 1/2c, Dec., 77 1/2c, May, 80 1/2c. Saturday—Dec., 77 1/2c, May, 80 1/2c. Cash No. 1 hard closed on Saturday at 70 1/2c, and cash No. 1 northern at 77 1/2c.

A week ago December wheat closed at 78 1/2c. A year ago December wheat closed at 67 1/2c, two years ago at 69 1/2c, three years ago at 80 1/2c; four years ago at 69 1/2c, five years ago at 60 1/2c.

Toronto Hardware and Paint Prices.

Toronto, Oct. 20. ANTIMONY—11 lb. per lb for Oak-son's. BARRIED WIRE—Car lots, f.o.b. Cleveland, \$2.85; Toronto, \$3 per 100lb. BAR IRON—Base for common, \$1.65¢ \$1.70 per 100lb. BLACK SHEETS—23 gauge, \$3.40. BOLTS AND NUTS—Norway bolts, full square, 65 per cent; common carriage bolts, full square, 65 per cent; do. 5-16 and under, 60 per cent; do. 3/4 and larger, 55 per cent; machine bolts, all sizes, 60 per cent; coach screws, 70 per cent; sheet shoe bolts, 75 per cent; blank bolts, 72 per cent; bolt ends, 65 per cent; nuts, square, 4c off; nuts, hexagon, 4 1/2c off; three bolts, 6 1/2 per cent; stove bolts, 6 1/2 per cent; plough bolts, 55 per cent. BRASS—Sheet and rod, discount 10 per cent. BUILDING PAPER—Plain building, 30c per roll, tarred lining, 40c, tarred roofing, \$1.60 per 100lb. CANADA PLATES—All dull, \$3.15 per 100lb; half-polished, \$3.25, and all bright \$3.35-\$4 per 100lb. CEMENT—Canadian Portland, \$2.60-\$2.83, English do., \$3.00; Belgian, \$2.75-\$3.00, Canadian hydraulic cements, \$1.25-\$1.50; calcined plaster, \$1.90; asbestos cement, \$2.50 per barrel. CHINA—3/4 in., \$7.00-\$8; 5-16 in., \$4.54-\$5.05; 1/2 in., \$3.75-\$4.5; 3/8 in., \$3.50-\$3.75; 1/4 in., \$3.15-\$3.25. COPPER—Ingots copper, 10¢/20¢ per lb; sheet copper, 22¢/23¢. CUT NAILS—\$2.25 per keg f.o.b. Toronto, Hamilton and London. FINE STEEL WIRE—Discount 15 per cent. GALVANIZED IRON—Queen's Head brand, \$4.50 per 100lb for English and \$4.50 for Apollo. GALVANIZED WIRE—9 gauge, \$3.10; 12 gauge, \$3.25; 13 gauge, \$3.35; No. 16, \$3.45. GLASS—Star, first break in 50 foot boxes, \$2.10, and in 100 foot boxes, \$4.00; double diamond, under 23 united inches, in 100 foot boxes, \$4.00. Toronto, Hamilton and London. Terms 4 months or 3 per cent 30 days. GREEN WIRE CLOTH—\$2.00 per 100 square feet. HARVEST TOOLS—50, 10 and 5 per cent. HOOP STEEL—Base price, \$3.25. HORSE NAILS—Standard oval head, 50 per cent; Acacia, 50 and 10 per cent. HORSESHOES—No. 2 iron shoes, light, medium and heavy, \$1.60 f.o.b., snow-shoes, \$3.55. IRON PIPE—3/4 to 3/8 in., \$3.50-\$3.55; 1/2 in., \$3.25-\$3.40; 3/8 in., \$2.75-\$3.55; 1/4 in., \$2.00-\$3.50; 1/8 in., \$1.75-\$3.50; 1/16 in., \$1.50-\$3.50; 1/32 in., \$1.25-\$3.50; 1/64 in., \$1.00-\$3.50; the discount is 50 on ordinary and 55 and 10 on large lots. LEAD PIPE—Ordinary pipe, 7c, discount 15 per cent. OLD MATERIAL—Agriculture scrap, 30c per cwt.; machinery cast 50c per cwt.; stove scrap 40c; No. 1 wrought scrap 40c; 100lb new light scrap copper, 12 1/2c per lb; bottoms, 10 1/2c; heavy copper, 13c; light scrap brass, 7c; heavy yellow scrap brass, 10c; heavy red scrap brass, 10 1/2c; scrap lead, 2 1/2c; zinc, 2 1/2c; scrap rubber, 6 1/2c; good country mixed rags, 6¢/7¢; clean dry bones, 40¢/50¢ per 100lb. PIG IRON—Tonawanda, No. 2, on track here, duty paid, No. 3, \$17.50. PIG IRON—50¢/55¢ per lb. PIG TIN—50¢/55¢ per lb. POULTRY NETTING—Discount of 40 and 5 per cent. RIVETS AND BURNERS—Iron 60 per cent; iron burners, 55 per cent, copper rivets, 25 per cent.



WINNIPEG PRICES CURRENT

GROCERIES

Table listing various grocery items such as Apples, Beans, Peas, Potatoes, and Canned Goods with their respective prices.

Dried Fruits

Table listing dried fruit items like Raisins, Apples, Peaches, and Nuts with their prices.

Tobacco

Table listing various tobacco products including Black Bass, Virgin Gold, and Smilax with their prices.

DRUGS

Table listing pharmaceutical and chemical products such as Alum, Borax, Camphor, and various oils with their prices.

British Live Stock Markets.

London, Oct. 15.—There was no stock on the Depford market to-day; in consequence, the feeling was strong and prices show an advance of 1c as compared with a week ago. Choice States cattle were worth 13 1/2c and Canadians, 11 1/2c to 12 1/2c.

Advertisement for E. Nicholson and Dominion Tobacco Company, featuring 'What About Plug Tobacco?' and listing products like Black Bass, Virgin Gold, and Smilax.

Advertisement for Pelham Nursery Co. featuring 'WANTED' notices and information about agents for Winnipeg and vicinity.

**A Great Canadian Industry.**

A Canadian industry which has made marked progress of recent years is the manufacture of vehicles. Canadians have no reason to go abroad for anything they may require in the carriage line, for we can secure the best obtainable from our own factor-

best in quality, high class in workmanship, and lasting in material. The first premises of the firm were a small three story building and a blacksmith shop, but the reliability of the vehicles turned out were soon recognized, so that an extension in a short time became necessary. Mr. McLaughlin, too, met with considerable success

new factory at Oshawa was in course of erection.

What the new works means, not only to the carriage trade of Canada, but to the town of Oshawa itself, will be readily seen when it is stated the capacity of the factory will be from 11,000 to 13,000 vehicles yearly. The year before the fire the McLaughlin company paid out a little over \$93,000 in wages. This year their wage bill will probably reach \$130,000. Whereas before they employed some 280 hands, a full staff in future will mean the employment of from 350 to 400 men.

The new works cover ground nearly four acres in extent, and the company have built with a view to still greater expansion in the future. The building is thoroughly modern in every respect, being erected on what is known as the slow-burning system, the floors being five inches thick. Profiting by past experience, the company have taken every possible precaution against fire. A sprinkling system is installed all over the factory and warerooms, while the steam pump belonging to the system has a capacity of 1,000 gallons per minute.

The blacksmith shop, with its twenty-one great forges, will attract the sightseer, for here is done the welding of axles, brces, circle irons, rails and dashes. The policy of the company is to make themselves everything that goes into the construction of a vehicle. In the blacksmith shop the iron is unloaded from the car not ten feet away from the entrance, and is passed from hand to hand, put through the different processes, until finally, the finished material is sent out. A system of trucks greatly facilitates the rapid handling of the material. It will be noticed, too, that the air in the blacksmith shop is singularly pure, a result which is achieved by the use of the Sturtevant downdraft system of forges, and which, it may be added, is much appreciated by the men who labor in the blacksmith shop.

The woodshop is a busy place, too. Nearly all the machinery is situated on the ground floor, and all the different parts of the vehicles are machined before going to the second flat, where the bodies are put together. Every piece of machinery here is modern, and the best that money can procure, and the result is that more perfect work can be turned out than could possibly be done by hand.

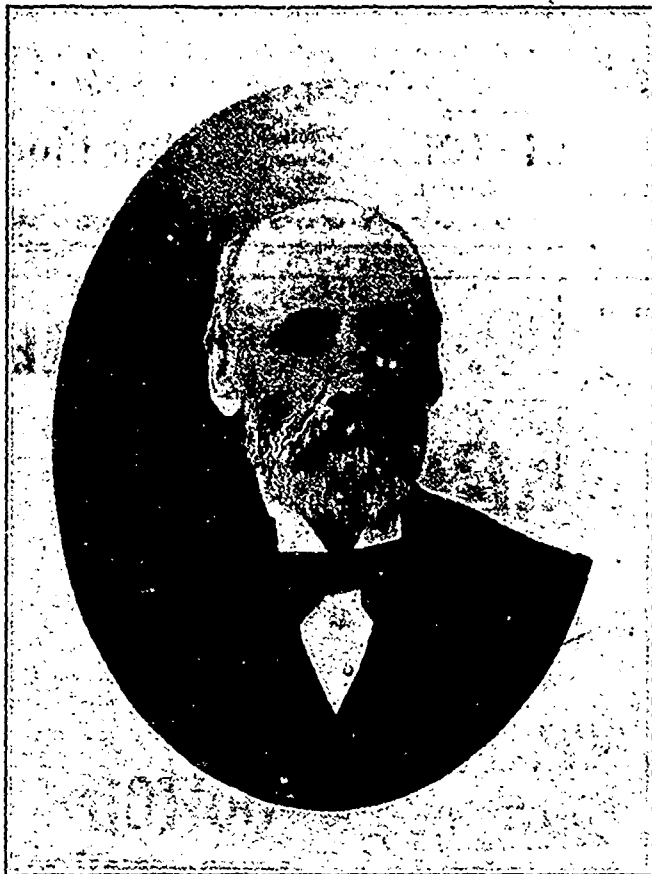
The trimming shop, with its stockroom, shows everything that can be carried in the way of trimmings, and is not the least interesting department to examine. With the great business the McLaughlin Company do, they necessarily have always on hand a large stock of cloths, leather, plushes and carpets, importing these latter from England.

In the paint shop the visitor will learn that the McLaughlin Company exercises every care in the painting of both gears and wheels, for they take a special pride in the finish of all work turned out by them. The store-room will be found always stocked with work on which the varnish is hardening. No work is allowed to

leave the factory until it is thoroughly hardened, something that will recommend itself to the judgment of all users of carriages.

The shipping facilities of the firm are unexcelled. There are five railway switches, one on each side of the shipping-room, two through the lumber yards, and one on the south side of the factory for incoming goods. This enables the firm to ship and load cars summer or winter, rain or shine.

Light through the factory is furnished by the company's own electric light plant, with a capacity for 600



Robert McLaughlin, a Pioneer Canadian Carriage Builder.



R. McKenzie, Manager Winnipeg Branch of the McLaughlin Carriage Co.

ies. There are a number of large and well known manufacturing establishments in the vehicle trade, but when we speak of vehicles the first name that will occur to us in connection with this branch of trade is the McLaughlin Carriage Co., as being the largest and one of the oldest and best known carriage manufacturing plants in Canada.

Robt. McLaughlin, who founded this great industry, is spoken of as a pioneer Canadian builder. Mr. McLaughlin presents to ambitious young Canadians an example of what may be accomplished in this country by pluck and perseverance, where sound business methods are followed. Right here we would wish to impress upon the attention of young business men the fact that the success attained in building up this great industry has been largely due to the honorable and straightforward methods employed and always adhered to. "Slick" methods may succeed for a time, but it is invariably good, honest work and honorable dealing that wears, and comes out ahead in the long run.

Mr. McLaughlin was the son of a Canadian farmer. He worked on the farm with his father and had little opportunity of gaining business experience in his early years. A story is told of him that he purchased his first set of tools from the proceeds of the sale of hand made axe handles, which he made during the spare moments or after regular working hours on the farm. This shows that he had a strong mechanical inclination, as well as the perseverance to work out his aims against great difficulties.

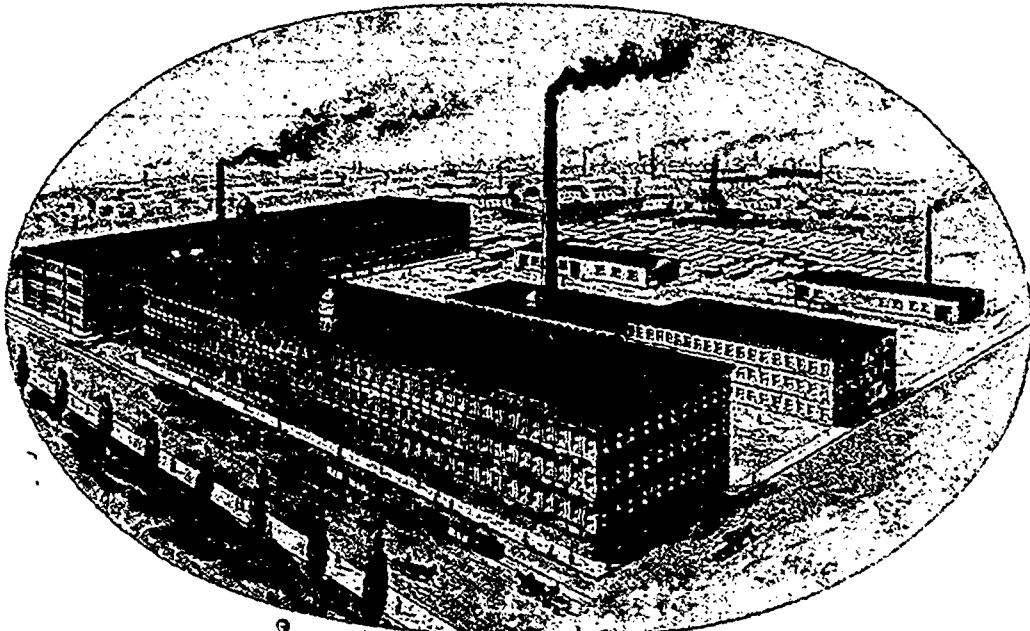
Over thirty years ago Mr. McLaughlin established the business which is now known as the McLaughlin Carriage Co., and which has since assumed such vast proportions.

When the business was established in 1863, Mr. McLaughlin chose as its motto, "One grade only and that the best." That motto has been steadily followed, and the result is that the firm now claim to be the largest manufacturers in the Dominion, while their name, from the Atlantic to the Pacific, is a synonym for all that is

in bringing out a new gear, which he patented, and which is well known to the trade as the McLaughlin gear. The factory was enlarged in 1897, and from 175 to 200 hands employed, who turned out work to the value of \$275,000 annually. When the fire occurred, which destroyed the factory on Dec. 7 last, the works had an annual capacity of 9,000 finished vehicles. For a time after the fire the company leased and operated the premises of the Thousand Island Carriage company, at Gananoque, from which they filled as many orders as possible while their

lights, while their dry kiln supplies them with 90,000 feet of lumber per week, and their sawmill enables them to cut stock to their own dimensions. The firm carry at all times millions of feet of lumber. Power in the factory is transmitted by a 250-horse power tandem compound engine, while there is an engine to run the sawmill, one for the dynamo, and one for the immense fan for the dry kiln.

While R. McLaughlin was the founder of this business, two sons, G. W. McLaughlin and R. S. McLaughlin, were admitted as partners in 1880. The former is assistant manager and the latter superintendent of the works, and both have that practical knowledge which has been applied so successfully to the conduct of the business. To strict adherence to their motto, "One grade only and that the best," the firm believe that the popu-



New Establishment of The McLaughlin Carriage Company, Oshawa.

larly of their carriages is in no small degree due. They use nothing but the very best materials, and their system of inspection is such that it is almost impossible for anything not up to the standard in material and workmanship to leave the premises. It is the claim of the McLaughlin company that they are using only "A" standard wheels on all their work. Their carriages, they admit, cost more to make than the vehicles of some other manufacturers, consequently dealers and consumers have to pay more for them, but they advance the reasonable argument that the extra cost in material and workmanship secures longer life to the vehicle, and makes it in the end cheaper. The firm make ninety varieties of vehicles, and at the present time have sufficient orders in hand to keep their new factory busy for some time.

The foregoing description of this great Canadian industry will be of special interest to the business people in the West, as the McLaughlin Carriage Company now has a branch and wholesale depot in Winnipeg, for the sale of their goods throughout the West. A few years ago the company opened an agency in Winnipeg, for the sale of their vehicles throughout the West, and they later decided that the importance of the field here would warrant the establishment of a regular branch in Winnipeg. This branch was accordingly opened in November last, at 141 Princess street, where the company still have their Winnipeg office and show room. R. McKenzie, who formerly carried on a very successful carriage trade at the town of Manitou, was appointed manager of the company's western business, with headquarters at the Winnipeg branch. Though the McLaughlin Carriage Co. was preceded in the western field by several other vehicle concerns, it is the first and only carriage company to establish a regular branch here, thus being the first to fully recognize the importance of Winnipeg as a jobbing centre for the vehicle trade. The Winnipeg branch handles the entire western business of the company between Lake Superior and the Pacific coast. Now that the company have their new factory in operation, they will be able to fill all western business offered them, which they have not been able to do in the past. W. N. Stephenson is the traveling representative in the West for the company. Mr. Stephenson was with the company for a number of years in the east, and he is thoroughly well up in the carriage trade. In closing we might note that the latest achievement of the McLaughlin Carriage Co. is to win a silver medal at the Paris exposition, being the highest award in the vehicle branch.

**Winnipeg Prices a Year Ago.**

Following were Winnipeg prices this week last year:

- Wheat—No. 1 hard closed at 65¢ @ 65½¢ in store Fort William.
- Flour—Local price per sack: Patent, \$1.90; best bakers', \$1.70.
- Oatmeal—\$1.80 per 60 lb sack to the retail trade.
- Millets—Bran, \$11 per ton; shorts, \$13; delivered to city dealers.
- Oats—Carlots on track, new oats, 27¢ 28½¢.
- Barley—26¢ 28¢ per bushel for feed grades of new; 24¢ 33¢ for malting.
- Country Wheat—51¢ 58¢ per bushel, according to grade and freight rate.
- Corn—In carlots, 40¢ per bushel of 60 lb.
- Flax—\$1.00 @ \$1.05 per bushel.
- Butter—Dairy, 15¢ 16¢ per lb for finest; creamery, 22¢ at the factories.
- Cheese—Regular sizes, 12¢.
- Eggs—17¢ for Manitoba fresh.
- Hides—No. 1 green hides, 7¢ per lb.
- Wool—77¢ for unwashed fleece.
- Seneca Root—5¢ per lb.
- Hay—Baled, \$6.50 @ \$5.50 per ton on cars.
- Potatoes—Choice new potatoes, 30¢ 35¢ per bushel.
- Poultry—Turkeys, live weight, 11¢ 12½¢ per lb; fowl, 9¢ 11¢ per lb; ducks, 9¢ 11¢ per lb; wild ducks, 15¢ 20¢ per pair.
- Dressed Meats—Beef, 6¢ 6½¢ for good to mutton, 9¢ 10¢; lambs, 10¢ 11¢; hogs, 6½¢ 7¢; veal, 7½¢.
- Live Stock—Cattle, 24¢ 27½¢ for good to choice steers; sheep, 16¢ 18¢; hogs, 14½¢ off cars, according to weight and quality.

It is reported that the Canadian Pacific Railway will commence next spring the construction of an extensive system of irrigation through the section of the country lying between Medicine Hat and Calgary. The water is to be taken from the Bow river. It is reported that the potato crop of the northwestern States will be very short this year, especially in Minnesota and Wisconsin.

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**THE GROCERY TRADE.**

**HOW RUSSIA CORNERS SUGAR.**

In an interesting article on this subject a writer in a recent *Fortnightly Review* says that each year the minister of finance fixes the amount of sugar which shall be produced in the empire and sets the price at which it shall be sold. The average domestic consumption is about 1,000,000,000 pounds. This is announced as the legal limit of production which shall be put upon the market during the year. In addition to this, it is allowed to manufacture 150,000,000 pounds more, which is placed in storage. The 1,000,000,000 pounds, as it is sold, pays an excise tax of 2½ cents a pound. If at any time through increased demand sugar becomes worth more than the price fixed by the government the 150,000,000 pounds in reserve are allowed to reach the market free of excise duty. If this does not supply the market at the legal price the government itself will buy from foreign countries enough sugar to supply the need for a bear influence upon the price. This has been done by Russia twice during the past ten years. The system, of course, precludes any export business in sugar, but the Russian government does not believe that the exporting of sugar from Russia can be made profitable or advisable, so it does not encourage it.

**GROCERY TRADE NOTES.**

Beans are costing higher to lay down here. Very fine samples of new dried peaches are being shown here. It is estimated that the coming crop of oranges in California will exceed 7,000,000 boxes. Advices from Columbia River, dated October 2, say:—"Fall fish are not running. So far not 10 per cent. of the pack has been put up." The crop of chestnuts in the New England States, which is the principal source of supply, is a light one this year, and prices are firm in consequence.

The crop of Cape Cod cranberries is short this year and prices are higher. The shortage is said to have been caused by fires sweeping over the marshes where the berries grow. A brand of Alaska salmon is offering here, duty paid, at less than British Columbia fish can be laid down here for, though the quality is not equal to British Columbia sock-eyes.

Latest advices say that many of the Denia shippers are short of raisins, and, it is said, will be unable to fill contracts. Nearly everything is reported to have been shipped from the other side, England having bought very heavily.

California loose muscatel raisins are in transit for this market. Some very fine samples of California Sultanias are being shown here, the raisins being almost transparent in color. They are mostly too high priced, however, for this market.

The Mexican orange crop this year is a large one and the fruit is being offered at moderately low prices in consequence. These oranges are now in the market and are giving general satisfaction. New crop Californias will not be ready for six weeks yet and Florida's are also not yet ready.

Letter advices received here from Greece this week say that New York has bought 2,000 tons of currants and England is buying freely. Two-thirds of the crop is exported, and the balance will not last long. A choice grade of cleaned currants was quoted at 65s Patras, equal to 16¼c laid down here, which compares with 7 to 8c as about the value of a similar grade a year ago here.

Writing from Bordeaux, under date of September 25, a prominent dealer in walnuts states: "The anxiety shown by foreign buyers of walnuts may yet lead them to make large losses. It is certain that the crop of Grenobles will be quite large, and that Marbot's, Cornes and Cahors will yield more than last season. Therefore, we do not understand why foreign buyers should be anxious to pay these prices for walnuts, some of which are the highest that have ever ruled. The ruling values have not been fixed by the producers themselves, but by Bordeaux and Marseilles exporters and speculators, who have profited by the eagerness shown by foreign buyers to sell at 25 per cent. higher than is justified by the respective crops in the Bordeaux district. It is extremely

unlikely that the bulk of the crop can find buyers at present ruling prices, and we fear that the inexplicable inflation of prices will result in a sharp drop."

Canadian quotations on woodenware have been reduced again owing to lower cost of raw material. Pails have been reduced 20 per cent., tubs and clothespins, 25 per cent. and washboards, 5 to 10 per cent. Lower grades of corn brooms have been reduced 5 to 10 per cent. and better grades not quite so much.

Very fine samples of California almonds are being shown in baskets here. They are much brighter color than the ordinary eastern stock, and the nut inside, as well as the shell, partakes of the same feature, being bright and clear. California almonds have not come into this market in the past to any extent, but it is probable they will be in the market this season to some extent.

The SS. "Escalona" of the Thomson line, is at Montreal, direct from the Mediterranean ports, with the following lots of dried fruit on board: From Patras she has 200 quarter cases currants, 7,180 half cases currants, 2,500 cases currants, 100 bbls. currants, and 95 half barrels currant. From Denia 92,923 half boxes raisins, 505 quarter boxes raisins, 4,200 one-eighth boxes raisins, and 1,200 cases of Spanish onions.

Returns of the sugar production in France from the crop of the year 1899-1900 show that the total quantity of beetroots worked up was 7,394,475 tons. The supposed yield of sugar, estimated at 7.75 per cent. for taxation, was 573,071 tons, but the actual yield calculated in refined sugar was 822,377 tons, or 11.12 per cent. The difference of 249,306 tons between the quantity on which duty was paid and that produced represents the quantity that escapes taxation in France, but it sold to the consumer with the amount of the duty of over 600 francs per ton added. This product forms the indirect bounty that permits producers to export their surplus under cost price to foreign countries.—London Economist.

**THE DRY GOODS TRADE.**

**COTTON GOODS ADVANCE AGAIN**

The feature of the week in staple goods departments this week was a further advance by the Canadian mills in cotton goods. The products of the Magog mills were again advanced, making two advances in two weeks. Pretty much the same lines as was affected by the previous advance are up again. In prints the two lowest lines are ¼c dearer. In indigos one line is up ¼c and three or four lines are all ½c higher. Drills are ½c dearer. Heavy and extra heavy moles have been advanced 1c per yard. On Monday local firms received a notice from the Merchants' Cotton Mills Company stating that on account of the disturbances in the raw cotton markets they had been compelled to withdraw all their prices for the present and would communicate with the trade further in a few days. The Dominion Cotton Mills Company advanced prices on Monday in a number of leading lines. All their bleached and grey sheetings are 1c per yard higher. Pillow cottons are ¼c dearer; grey cottons have been advanced ¼ to ½c. All drills are up ¼c per yard. Cantons are ¼ to ½c dearer. Cotton bags are up 50c per 100. Bleached and unbleached ducks are higher. All this has created a very bullish feeling in the trade. The wholesale people are strongly of the opinion that retailers can make no mistake in placing orders early for all cotton goods for next spring. There are not the same possibilities as formerly existed for selling American cotton goods in this market. The preference on British goods is keeping out the Yankee fabrics more than ever. The 35 per cent. makes a big difference in duties for the American mills to meet even in a normal condition of the cotton markets. The prices of cotton goods in the United States have advanced more than similar lines in Canada and adds to the difficulty in placing them in the Canadian market. Formerly the finer line of cotton goods manufactured in the United States were readily sold in this market, but it is now difficult or impossible to offer those lines at prices that will find buyers here.—Toronto Globe.

**DRY GOODS TRADE NOTES.**

Cables from Yokohama report a further advance of 10c a pound in raw

silk. This makes an advance of 20c within a week.

Some lines of print cloths were again advanced at New York last week.

Canadian dry goods buyers now in the old country report difficulty in buying at what they consider reasonable prices. They find the markets firm and there is no disposition on the part of manufacturers to make concessions. Cotton goods are particularly firm.

Belfast advices say:—"This linen market shows increased strength and a steady expansion, more particularly in the spinning branch. Tow wets are decidedly firmer, and a slight advance is paid. Line wets, which were selling at 4s, have advanced 1½d and spinners have booked largely."

One of the large Canadian hosiery manufacturing concerns writes its customers as follows:—"Owing to the extreme advance in cotton and the difficulty in getting material entering into the manufacture of spring underwear and hosiery we are obliged to advance a few of our prices. We regret having to do this at the present time, but manufacturers of yarns refuse to quote prices unless at a great advance and we cannot protect ourselves in any other manner."

**Hardware Trade Notes.**

United States picture wire makers have formed a combination and advanced prices.

Locks of Canadian manufacture are 20 per cent. lower. The discount is now 25 per cent.

Cotton rope is 1c per lb dearer at Canadian factories and cotton twine 1½ to 2c dearer.

United States makers of door bolts, catches, sash bolts, etc., have reduced their prices to the Canadian trade.

Steam refined seal oil is 2½c per gallon higher at Montreal owing to limited supply and improved demand.

The Lorraine plant of the Federal Steel Co., at Lorraine, Ohio, was closed on Saturday last, throwing 3,000 men out of employment. It is said that the shut-down will be only for two weeks, but as orders are light, the men believe the mills will be idle until after the election.

**Lumber Trade Notes.**

Heavy rains have fallen lately in the upper Mississippi valley, making lumbering operations there very difficult.

Building permits issued at Minneapolis during the first nine months of this year were nearly one-half larger than in 1899, the total amount being \$3,253,623.

J. D. McArthur has been awarded a contract by the C. P. R. This in conjunction with his saw-log camps will provide quite a number of men with work all winter.

A tract of 50,000 acres of state timber land in the state of Idaho is reported to have been sold to prominent lumbermen, who will commence preparations for cutting lumber at once. The standing timber is estimated at 2,000,000,000 feet of white pine and 5,000,000,000 feet of other timbers.

**Comparative Prices of Staples.**

	Oct. 12, 1900.	Oct. 13, 1899.
Flour . . . . .	\$3.45@3.65	\$3.40@3.60
Wheat . . . . .	78½@79	75
Corn . . . . .	47½	41
Oats . . . . .	25½	23
Rye . . . . .	69@70½	66
Cotton . . . . .	107-16	7½
Printcloths . . . . .	3½	2½
Wool, Ohio . . . . .	25@28	30@31
Wool, cmbg . . . . .	28@29	34@35
Pork . . . . .	14.00@16.00	9.25@9.75
Lard . . . . .	7.50	5.67½
Butter . . . . .	21	21½
Cheese . . . . .	10½	11
Sugar, cr. 60 . . . . .	4½	4.5-10
Sugar, gr. . . . .	5.75	5½
Coffee, No. 7 . . . . .	8½	6½
Petroleum . . . . .	7.45	8.95
*Iron, B. pig . . . . .	13.25	24.00
*Steel bil. ton . . . . .	17.00	39.00
Steel rails . . . . .	20.00	33.00
Copper . . . . .	10.75	13.37
Lead . . . . .	4.37½	4.00
Tin . . . . .	28.00	32.00
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**School Land Sales Commission.**

Notice is hereby given that, acting under the powers and authority conferred upon me by an Order of His Excellency the Governor-General-in-Council, appointing me a commissioner to investigate certain irregularities in the public sales of school lands made in the month of June last, I will proceed to investigate the said matters and hear all complaints relating thereto, at the following times and places, namely:—  
Minnesota, at the Municipal hall, Monday, Oct. 22, at 4 p.m.; Birtie, at the Municipal hall, Tuesday, Oct. 23, at 7.30 p.m.; Rapid City, at the Municipal hall, Wednesday, Oct. 24, at 8.00 p.m.; Gladstone, at the Municipal hall, Monday, Oct. 29, at 2.30 p.m.; Fortage in Prairie, at the Court House, Tuesday, Oct. 30, at 7.30 p.m. Notice of sittings at other points of the province will follow.  
Dated at Winnipeg, this 6th day of October A.D. 1900  
JAMES E. P. PRENDERGAST, Commissioner.



**Investigation of School Land Sales.**

Notice is hereby given that, acting under the powers and authority conferred upon me by an order of His Excellency the Governor-General-in-Council, appointing me a commissioner to inquire into, and report upon, certain alleged fraudulent practices or irregularities at public sales of school lands in this province, I will proceed with the investigation of the said matters and hear complaints relating thereto, at the following times and places, namely:—  
McGregor—At or near the School House, Monday, Nov. 5th, at 1.00 p.m.  
Carberry—At the Municipal Hall, Tuesday, Nov. 13th, at 10.30 a.m.  
Brandon—At the Court house, Wednesday, Nov. 14th, at 10.30 a.m.  
Oak Lake—At or near the School House, Thursday, Nov. 15th, at 1.00 p.m.  
Virden—At or near the School House, Friday, Nov. 16th, at 1.30 p.m.  
Miami—At or near the School House, Monday, Nov. 19th, at 3.00 p.m.  
Baldur—At or near the School House, Wednesday, Nov. 21st, at 7.00 p.m.  
Winnipeg—At the Court House, Nov. 21th, at 2.30 p.m.  
Emerson—At the Municipal Hall, Thursday, Dec. 6th, at 4.30 p.m.  
Holland—At the Municipal Hall, Tuesday, Dec. 11th, at 8.00 p.m.  
Souris—At or near the School House, Thursday, Dec. 13th, at 7.30 p.m.  
The inquiry will be continued at all other points where sales have taken place, concerning which further notice will follow.  
Dated at Winnipeg, this 15th day of October, A. D. 1900.  
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**British Columbia Boundary District.**

Numbers from the Boundary District are at present visiting Spokane, Washington, where the annual exposition and fruit fair are now being held. It is stated that the exposition is a great success and as regards the attendance. For the first time in several years the Boundary Creek section of the Boundary District did not send a comprehensive mineral exhibit. One main reason for this was that the Greenwood board of trade had had for months so many calls upon its limited funds that it was not disposed to incur the expense of making a thoroughly comprehensive display and it was felt that nothing short of this would do the district justice. Past experience has demonstrated that to get together a thoroughly representative collection of ores from the numerous mining camps of the district involves much labor and a considerable expense. Under conditions that did not promise favorably for a creditable display it was thought better not to attempt to make any at all this year. It may be here mentioned that the British Columbia mineral exhibit—chiefly from the various mining camps of Rossland, Nelson and Slocan districts—was awarded first prize and that the Nelson section took first prize, and last year's Boundary Creek exhibit, which was again shown, second prize, for the best individual district display. For the first time a resident of British Columbia was one of the three judges in the mining department, this honor having fallen to Mr. Frederic Keffer, M. E., general manager for the British Columbia Copper Co., of New York, owning the valuable Mother Lode mine, situate near Greenwood, and now completing a smelter in the vicinity of the same town.

For several months notices have from time to time appeared in the newspapers of the district respecting the opening to white settlement of the northern half of the Colville Indian reservation and the anticipated rush that would probably take place to secure homesteads on this land. This long expected opening is to take place this week, but it appears that it is not causing any such excitement as was looked for. The C. P. R., by its district officials, has been giving the matter its attention, with the result that it has concluded that no great rush will take place. Mr. F. W. Peters, general freight agent, with district headquarters at Nelson, is reported to have said for publication: "While there are many fine valleys the country is not so suitable for farming as was reported, a dearth of water being one of the most serious drawbacks. A large number of people will undoubtedly go in, but there will be nothing like the Oklahoma or similar rushes." The north half of the reservation is estimated to contain an area of something like 1,500,000 acres, but as much of it is mountainous it is calculated that only about a third of it is suitable for settlement. The C. P. R. station at Midway, Boundary Creek, is only about thirty miles from the centre of the largest area of country suitable for settlement and there is no other railway station so near by at least fifty miles, so the Canadian railway will very probably obtain the greater part of the traffic into this new district, when it is opened.

The London & B. C. Goldfields, Ltd., of London, England, which company has a controlling interest in the water record conveying the right to develop the large water power obtainable from the falls or rapids of the Kettle River at Cascade City, in the extreme eastern portion of the Boundary district, has its preliminary work well forward, but there is not likely to be so much expedition used in putting in the requisite plant and machinery, it being evident that there will be but few mines or other district industries ready to utilize electric power before next summer. As a consequence the company is not in any great hurry to purchase costly machinery, but will first make full inquiries, so as to be in a position to obtain the best plant at the lowest possible cost. It is estimated that the total expenditure on the development of the power will aggregate nearly \$500,000, so it is not surprising that every saving practicable, without reducing the industrial value of the system, will be effected. This company, which is also operating the Ymir mine, in the southern part of West Kootenay, has its head office in this province at Nelson, and

Mr. J. Roderick Robertson is its resident managing director.

A few business changes of recent occurrence in the district are reported. Messrs. W. M. Law & Co., general merchants, of Greenwood, have opened a general store in the mining town of Phoenix, with Mr. E. McQuaid, who has been with the firm for between two and three years, in charge. As the mines at Phoenix employ at present about 250 men, with a good prospect of a gradual increase in numbers for some time to come, merchants located in what is known as the Old Ironsides part of the town, this being in the immediate vicinity of the mines employing most men, look for good and expanding business there. Two assignments have just been announced: that of Simon Francis Quintan, of Cascade City, contractor to Stanley Mayall, of the same town, and that of Hiram Brown, of Grand Forks, furniture dealer, to Joseph K. Johnson, also of Grand Forks. Dr. Forin formerly of Nelson, commenced the practice of his profession at Greenwood, but not meeting with sufficient encouragement to induce him to remain, has returned to Nelson. There were already five doctors established at Greenwood and three others within eight miles so there was no room for a new-comer. Laidlaw & Massam, who for the past two or three years have been doing a mining brokers' business in Spokane, Washington, have removed their office to Greenwood. Mr. Andrew Laidlaw, one of the partners, is managing director of the Standard Pyritic Smelting company, now erecting a pyritic smelter near Boundary Falls, three miles south of Greenwood.

C. A. & H. L. Sawyer, for eighteen months in the livery and feed business at Midway, have removed their stock and outfit to Pilot Bay, on the east shore of Kootenay Lake.

McPherson Brothers, saw-millers, at Boundary Falls, have put in a new saw-mill in place of one destroyed by fire two or three months ago, and are now in active operation once more.

No steps have yet been taken to remove their sash and door factory from Midway to Greenwood by Messrs. Lequime & Powers, as was announced last month was their intention.

**The Wool Markets.**

The opening of the colonial wool sales in London this week was an important feature in the wool markets all over the world, says the Toronto Globe. There was a greater decline in values than expected. The total offerings for the series amount to 366,000 bales, about 80 per cent. being fine wools. Merinos declined 10 to 15 per cent. Fine cross-breeds not represented. Mediums off 7 to 10 per cent. Coarse cross-breeds unchanged. The trade on this side did not look for more than a 10 per cent decline in merinos and about a 5 per cent in cross-breeds. Owing to the fact that selections offered at London were poor, and that the bulk of the domestic clip is consigned with the stipulation that it be held until after the United States' election, some members of the trade believe that the decline in London will have little immediate influence upon the outside markets.

Practically the whole of the past season's wool clip of Ontario is still in the country, and a considerable portion of the clip of the United States, waiting for a demand from the mills. Holders in Ontario are not offering the wool at lower prices, and in the absence of any export demand local dealers are not anxious to buy. Trade here is, therefore, at a standstill. Some improvement is looked for after the presidential election in the United States next month.

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## CANADA'S COMING COMPETITOR.

Never before, perhaps, was a higher tribute paid the Canadian farmer than when the government of the Argentine Republic decided to send to the Dominion several of its brightest young men to study the agricultural methods of the country from the vantage point of the Ontario Agricultural College of Guelph. It was a tribute as well to the wisdom of those far-seeing Ontario statesmen who conceived and carried into effect the plan of a great school of agriculture, to be presided over by men who had made a life-study of scientific farming. When one pauses to consider that the Argentine Republic is at the opposite end of the hemisphere, and that between it and Canada are numberless excellent agricultural schools scattered throughout the United States, the compliment becomes the more gratifying.

The circumstances under which Senores George Peltzer, Julio Pondo Alberto C. Fernandez, Cesarea Avila, Eduardo Ibanez, Salle Ecobegaray, Juan Rivara and Ricardo S. Bustamante came to Canada are interesting. The young men, who began their course at Guelph in September are all graduates of the universities of their own land, and come of the oldest and best Spanish stock. Senor Peltzer alone is of German extraction, but a native of the Republic. Two years ago the government of the Republic offered a scholarship, as we should call it, in agriculture to twenty young men. This scholarship included free tuition and expenses in a Canadian or American agricultural college. A national examination was set and the man passing highest in each province received the trip abroad, while the six passing highest in the national capital, Buenos Ayres, were elected to accompany them. The Republic is divided into fourteen provinces and nine territories, the latter not having representation at the national capital, the administrative head of each being a governor appointed by the federal government in which the provinces are each represented by a senator and a deputy senator. Thus the party consisted of fourteen from the different provinces and six from the capital, making twenty. Senor Juan Rivara, who subsequently joined the other twenty, was not sent by the government, but came on his own account upon their recommendation.

The twenty students left Buenos Ayres last March. They were then entire strangers to one another. They crossed the ocean to Southampton, visited the British Isles and then came to New York, going from there to Washington, where they were received by the representative of the Argentine government. They were there furnished with a prospectus of each principal agricultural college in the United States as well as that of the Ontario college. After careful consideration it was arranged that seven of the party should go to Guelph and the remainder to United States colleges. When Senor Rivara decided to accompany the Canadian party the number was brought up to eight. The proportion of eight out of twenty-one in favor of Ontario is flattering to say the least. It should be borne in mind that no one of the United States colleges will be visited by more than two of the remaining thirteen.

There are but two agricultural colleges in the Argentine Republic, one situated in the national capital and the other in the southernmost part of the country. When these young Argentines have completed their course

at Guelph and at the United States schools, they will return and will remain in the government employ for three years. At the expiration of this term several colleges will be established throughout the provinces, in which the advanced science of agriculture, as demonstrated in the Canadian colleges, will be taught to native students.

With the exception of Mexico and Japan probably no other country in the world has made more rapid and substantial progress during the past two decades than the Argentine Republic, and this despite revolution and long periods of political unrest. This development is most noticeable in agriculture and stock-raising pursuits, and if the productive resources of the country continue to be developed during the next twenty years at the same rate as they have during the past twenty, Canada may well look to her laurels. According to the census of 1895, the republic had a population of 4,022,990 distributed over an area of 1,190,000 square miles. Of the vast area of land available for agriculture but 15,000,000 acres or six per cent, are actually under cultivation. The possibilities of this vast undeveloped country, under a government stable enough to defy revolution and progressive enough to send out students into the four corners of the world, are enormous. This resolve to learn the methods of more advanced nations made Japan the England of the East and will eventually make the Argentine Republic the Canada of South America.

Although the analogy does not extend to its people and their customs, there are many odd points of similarity between the growing young republic whose southernmost territory nearly reaches the Antarctic circle, and the young Dominion whose northern boundaries extend into the Arctic twilight. The one first settled by Spaniards, the other by French, both have witnessed the decay and overthrow of an old civilization and the growth of a new. Both are rich in forests, in vast unlimited tracts of arable land, and in minerals, both possess a large expanse of seaboard and great inland waters. While, however, the growth of Canada has been steady, that of the Republic has been spasmodic, though not less rapid. Prior to 1880 the country was in a more or less wild and chaotic condition. According to the return of this year it now has 9,193 miles of railway in operation, and 25,000 miles of telegraph lines. The Canadian Northwest has been frequently termed the granary of the world, and the term may be applied with equal propriety to Patagonia, that vast, fertile and almost wholly undeveloped territory of the Argentine which but a few years ago was an unknown land. A year or two prior to 1880, Gen. Julio V. Roca, who succeeded President Nicolas Avellaneda as the administrative head of the Republic, led an expedition into Patagonia, and freed the entire territory from Indian domination, opening it for pastoral and agricultural uses up to the Rio Negro river. The possibilities of this great tract with its temperate climate, its vast grass-covered plains so admirably adapted to stock-raising and its fertile soil, are almost beyond the bounds of human conception. The country has, however, been under the disadvantage of having been developed almost entirely by Europeans. There was no healthy influx of intelligent hardy settlers from the older provinces as was the case in the Canadian Northwest.

The stock-raising industry of Argentina, which has already reached

great dimensions, promises, with the success of the sterilized air method for shipping dressed meat, to assume still greater proportions. The country is essentially one of grazing lands, and it is doubtful whether it possesses as such any advantages over the Canadian Northwest Territories. To follow up the parallel between the two countries, it is interesting to note that the best foreign horses used by the British army in Africa came from Canada and Argentina.

For purposes of comparison some statistics of the development of the Argentine Republic's export trade, as obtained from the custom house and statistical department at Buenos Ayres, may prove interesting. The quantities in these calculations are expressed in tons of 1,000 kilograms, say 2,200 English pounds. The values are expressed in dollars gold worth 95½ cents. The total exports of wheat in 1899 amounted to 1,713,429 tons, or 62,825,730 bushels valued at \$38,078,343, a total which was only exceeded in the years 1893 and 1894. The exports of wheat for the first three months of this year were nearly double those of the corresponding period of 1899. During January, February, and March, 1900, they totalled 674,717 tons, or 24,739,623 bushels, valued at \$15,451,010, as against 364,372 tons or 13,300,306 bushels, valued at \$9,182,167 for the same quarter in 1899.

The exports of maize increased from 62,160 tons during the first quarter of 1899, to 99,048 tons for the corresponding quarter this year.

During the first three months of 1899, 90,005 tons of flaxseed, valued at \$3,090,777 were exported; the figures for the first quarter of this year were 148,411 tons valued at \$6,530,063.

Wool, the most important of the Republic's exports, showed a falling in the returns for January, February and March of this year, but there has nevertheless, been a steady increase in the export trade since 1893. In that year 123,000 tons, valued at \$25,000,000 were exported; in 1899 the trade had grown to 237,111 tons, valued at \$71,283,619.

The export trade in sheepskins has steadily increased since 1893, when it amounted to 25,600 tons, valued at \$4,200,000. In 1899 it had reached 42,250 tons, of the value of \$6,195,000.

Of dry cow-hides there were shipped in 1899, 23,956 tons, valued at \$8,001,132.

In 1893, 71,000 live sheep, valued at \$363,000 were exported. The trade has increased rapidly and last year's returns show that 578,000 live sheep, valued at \$1,734,000 were shipped out of the Republic. There was a slight falling off in the number of animals shipped during the first quarter of this year, but the value had, nevertheless, increased from \$152,178 to \$175,250.

The law prohibiting the landing of Argentine live stock in Great Britain, has probably had something to do with the falling off of the shipments of live steers this year. During the first quarter of the year 58,752 animals were exported, as against 67,299 during the corresponding period of 1899, but the value of the shipments increased from \$1,790,090 to \$1,846,920. The total for 1899 was 360,000 animals, valued at \$7,700,000.

In the first quarter of the present year 13,115 tons of wethers, valued at \$721,311, were exported, as against 13,683 tons valued at \$347,510 in the same period of 1899. The total for 1899 was 56,627 tons, valued at \$2,265,060.

What the next quarter of a century will show in the way of the develop-

ment of the Argentine Republic as a great food producing country, can scarcely be conjectured; but that it is bound to become the greatest of Canada's rivals cannot be doubted. It is a country of vast expanse and wonderful fertility, and its people are only now awakening from that Rip Van Winkle sleep in which all South America has been wrapped for so long a period. The English language is daily becoming more popular in the Argentine as it is the world over, and it is the expressed belief of the young Argentines now in Guelph that its more general use as the language of commerce will be attended by a quickening of the national pulse. The distinguished young visitors are hard-working students and are making excellent progress in their work at Guelph. They were in residence in the college during the summer, but as the regulations give Ontario students the preference, they were compelled to take quarters in the city.

The college opened in September with 150 registered students, 83 of whom are in the first year. The dairy courses for 1900 and 1901, the first session of which begins December 3, will, it is expected, be attended by at least 165 students.

### Dauphin's Building Year.

Dauphin Press: "The building for the present year is a creditable one and totals the respectable sum of \$70,250. The class of buildings erected this year is far superior to those of former years and are an indication of what we may expect in years to come. The improvement in private dwellings is particularly noticeable. Many of those erected this year are commodious and contain up-to-date conveniences. This is a good sign and augurs well for the solidity of the town. Dauphin is admirably situated to become a fine residential town and when a few necessary improvements have become accomplished some of the inconveniences we have now to contend with will have disappeared. A further extension of the system of sidewalks will do much to connect the residential parts of the town.

"Turning businessward the Burrows and Clark blocks are the capstays of the year's progress. The Burrows block is on the northwest corner of Burrows avenue and Main street and the Clark building on the southwest corner of Burrows avenue and Main street.

"The Burrows block has a frontage of 52 feet on Main street by 100 feet on Burrows avenue. It is built on a solid stone foundation and is two storeys in height. The building is brick veneer and is substantial and up-to-date in its appointments throughout. The large windows are plate glass. There is a large store front and bank apartments on Main street. On Burrows avenue there are two store fronts. The stores are large and well-lighted. On the upper flat is a lodge and show room and rooms for offices. The building cost \$12,000 and is the most pretentious structure in town.

"The Clark block has a frontage of forty feet on Main street and a depth of 80 feet on Burrows avenue. It is 50 feet in height. It is a brick veneer building on a stone foundation with a basement the full length of the building which will be utilized for a restaurant. On the ground floor there are two store fronts and office room. In the rear of the store are waiting rooms. The upper flat is taken up entirely as an auditorium. In the rear is a gallery. The seating capacity is 800-500 in the main body of the hall and 300 in the gallery. The stage is 22x46. The hall is one of the most commodious and well appointed in the province. The building is a valuable addition to the business centre of the town.

"The fire hall is a two-story wooden structure 40x50 feet. It is situated on Front and Vermillion streets and faces on the former. The lower flat is devoted to storage room for the engine and part of it will be utilized for lock-up purposes and will include a number of cells. The upper flat will contain the council chamber, firemen's apartments and caretaker's rooms. The architecture of the building is quite attractive.

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The Stook of the Indian Chief Mining Co. has been acquired by an English syndicate. This company owns the Splitzee claim, Rossland, consisting of 10½ acres with a strong and well defined vein 15 feet in width. Assays gave returns of about \$13 per ton.

**N. W. ONTARIO.**

It is rumored that McKenzie & Mann are negotiating for the purchase of the Hammond Reef. Wm Mackenzie is vice-president of this company.

At the Zenth mica mine, Rossport district, a gang of men have been at work all summer. They expect to ship 5,000 tons of mica during the coming winter, which is expected to net \$20 per ton. Other companies expect to commence working mica locations in the same district shortly.

**MISCELLANEOUS.**

The total shipments of gold dust from Dawson City this year have amounted to \$25,000,000.

**Conditions at Vancouver.**

The News-Advertiser of Vancouver takes the same view as The Commercial's Vancouver correspondent did when it speaks of the unsatisfactory condition of business in some lines in Vancouver. The News-Advertiser devotes a column editorial to the business situation in British Columbia, and the tone of the editorial is not altogether hopeful. The following are extracts from the News-Advertiser article:

Some time ago a considerable volume of trade in new channels, (Klondike trade), was started. There were however, certain circumstances or conditions connected with these new lines of trade which made it prudent not to calculate on their permanency, and this fact should have been considered by those who thought that the expansion of business justified large additions to the number of existing firms.

It will not now be disputed by any one who is acquainted with the subject, that in some lines of retail trade—especially in groceries and dry goods—there have been more firms in existence in the different towns of the province than were required by the volume of business. The result has been that the turnover of many of these merchants has not been large enough to yield a profit sufficient to pay expenses or to realize enough cash to meet amounts due to the wholesale houses from which they obtained their goods.

Of course, such methods created disturbance in business circles, and interfered with the trade of firms which otherwise were perfectly able to meet their engagements. Forced sales and liquidations have, however, necessarily prejudiced the legitimate trade of such firms and must cause the year's trading to be less satisfactory than would otherwise have been the case.

But it will be well to bear in mind that the prices of many commodities are higher than the average for some years and that world-wide conditions do not seem to indicate that the exceeding prosperity of the last few years is likely to continue.

Indeed, in one respect the effect of that prosperity; of the great demand for almost all commodities which has existed recently, must in itself tend to bring about a reaction—a slackening in the demand with a corresponding fall in values.

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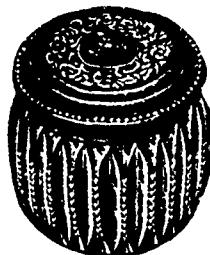
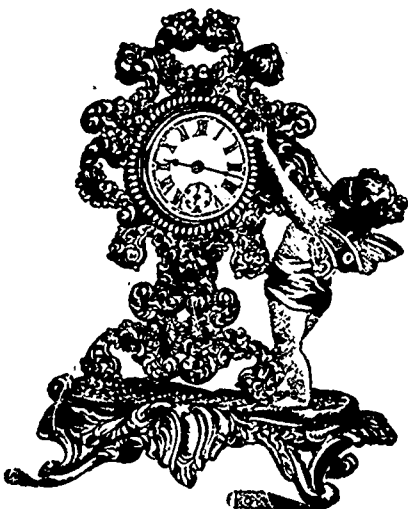
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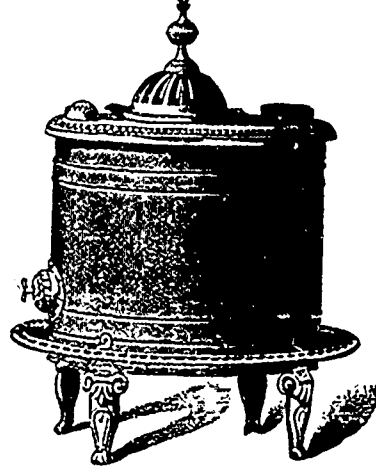
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